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REASONS WHY AMERICA WILL NOT TAKE ACTIVE PART IN THE WAR: PUBLIC OPINION: NOT PREPARED

THAT AMERICA IS NOT LIKELY TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE WAR, WHETHER IN THE EAST OR IN THE WEST, was the opinion expressed by MR. HAROLD CALLENDER, of the NEW YORK TIMES, when interviewed by a representative of the Hongkong Daily Press on his arrival at Kai Tak by the California Clipper yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Callender gave two reasons for his belief that the United States would not become involved in war at the present time.

"THE FIRST REASON," HE SAID, "IS THAT PUBLIC OPINION IN THE STATES IS DEFINITELY AGAINST IT, AND THE SECOND IS THAT WE ARE NOT PREPARED."



A road block of barbed wires—one of the types of defence measures in Britain.

PIRACY IN BRITISH WATERS

Two attacks on trading junks by pirate craft were reported to the Water Police last night. One of the piracies occurred in British waters.

The first report, concerning the robbery in British waters, was made by a man named Yuen Yeung-hing, master of junk No. T4937H, who stated that his craft was stopped by the pirate junk off Sau Si Mun about 8 a.m. yesterday.

He lost money and goods to a total value of \$120 Chinese currency and H.K. \$95. His cargo, which was taken, consisted of eight baskets of salt fish.

EMPTY BOTTLES

The second robbery was reported by Kwok Kan, master of an unlicensed fishing boat of Tai Ping, Tung Kun district. He lost a cargo of 5,500 empty Japanese beer bottles and also his junk, which was taken by the pirates. The bottles were valued at \$350 and the junk at \$200.

The piracy occurred close to the shore of Lung Kiu Tan about 2 a.m. on Monday. In either case there were four men involved in the robbery, two of them carrying firearms.

Adm. Yoshida May Resign Navy Post

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, Minister of Navy, who has been suffering from gastric and intestinal troubles since the end of last month, entered hospital at the Naval Medical College yesterday.

His complaint has been diagnosed as angina pectoris.

A prolonged hospital treatment will possibly necessitate Vice-Admiral Yoshida resigning as Minister of Navy.

Vice-Admiral Yoshida has been Minister of Navy in three successive Cabinets since General Abe's administration in August, 1939.

INTERVIEW WITH ROY HOWARD

Mr. Roy Howard, head of the famous Scripps-Howard publishing house in America, leader of the party of American journalists touring the Pacific, arrived in Hongkong close on midnight, last night, by air from Chungking.

There was a large crowd waiting to greet him, and many shouts of "Hello Roy" rent the air as the short, dapper, moustached, cigar-puffing American newspaper magnate stepped from the plane. All smiles, and amiable, Mr. Howard replied with a cheery "Hello, there."

Many of the voices that hailed the publisher were Chinese, for Howard has many Chinese friends both here and in the United States.

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WOMEN EVACUEES FROM HONGKONG WILL BE FORBIDDEN TO RETURN

Five local British women whose names were on the register for evacuation to Australia, dodged the last evacuee ship that left Hongkong on Saturday, Aug. 3.

New regulations dealing with the subject of evacuation, to be issued by Government within the week, will furnish an answer to what it is proposed to do with them.

The regulations, drafted at a special meeting yesterday morning, will also forbid the return of women who have been evacuated from the Colony.

These facts were established by the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday in an interview with the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. N. I. Smith.

A public notification dealing with the question of costs of accommodation and board for the evacuees in Australia will also be issued within the next few days.

QUESTION OF COSTS

Information from Australia has necessitated a further study of

"Our navy may be all right," he said. "But we have no army to send anywhere, and we have not made adequate preparations for any overseas engagements."

Mr. Callender emphasised, however, that America would continue to give Great Britain every possible support by way of supplies.

Mr. Callender is one of the ten American journalists who have been "flying around the Pacific" and who are now on their way back to the United States after visiting New Zealand, Australia, the Dutch East Indies and Singapore as guests of the respective Governments.

The party, it will be recalled, flew from San Francisco to New Zealand on the inaugural flight of Pan American Airways South Pacific route.

Leader of the party is Mr. Roy Howard, publisher of the Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers. Mr. Howard left the party at Singapore and flew to Rangoon from where he travelled to Kunming and Chungking, returning to Hongkong last night by C. N. A. C. plane to join the party who are leaving for U. S. A. today by Clipper.

Two others members of the party went home from Manila. They are Messrs. M. Forstadt (King's Feature Syndicate) and W. Morehouse (N. Y. Sun). The remaining eight arrived at Kai Tak by Clipper from Manila yesterday. They were received on arrival by Capt. R. E. T. St. John, A. D. C. to H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasett.

CLOSE COLLABORATION

In conversation with a Daily Press representative, Mr. Callender stressed the importance of the handing over to Britain of 50 U. S. warships in return for air and naval bases as significant of the close collaboration between these two great democracies and added that it was but only the beginning of many steps to follow of similar importance and consequence.

Mr. Callender was at Narvik when the Germans over-ran

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More United, Certain Of Victory

LONDON PRESS ON ANNIVERSARY

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Twelve months of war finds the British Empire, despite a number of strategic setbacks, strong, united and certain of eventual victory. This is the theme of the London Press this morning on the first anniversary of the declaration of war.

Summing up the year, THE TIMES says that we can see where the balance is adequately equipped with destructive possibilities and where aerial bombardment has been exaggerated.

In general, the loss of life in this war was much less than anyone would have dared to forecast a year ago. The man power of the nation is, therefore, not seriously depleted by the casualties of the first year. Our national resources are substantially intact. On the other hand, we have suffered a series of strategic disasters than the most pessimistic imagination could have contemplated a year ago.

We know now for certain that when our rising aircraft production has given us numerical parity, as they will do within a known time, our attacking forces of bombers, already doing heavy damage, will become irresistible.

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WAY FOR INVASION BLOCKED

NAZI "KNOCK OUT" CLAIMS EXAGGERATED

NEW YORK, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The London correspondent of the New York Times, who toured the British air ports, said that the German claims to have "knocked them out" were exaggerated, adding that all fields are being used when the R.A.F. consider it wise.

The correspondent says, however, that British fighters are not now engaging German bombers until they get into the London patrol area, whereas they were formerly met over the Channel.

He concludes that though it is evident the Germans have not cleared a way for their invasion, one is impressed by the lack of shipping in the English Channel. In a trip from Dover to Falmouth he saw very few merchantmen.

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TEMPORARY WITHDRAWAL OF JAPANESE ULTIMATUM TO FRENCH INDO-CHINA

SINGAPORE, SEPT. 4 (REUTER)—WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS HERE STATE THAT INFORMATION FROM SAIGON IS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE JAPANESE ULTIMATUM HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FOR THE TIME BEING.

Tension, following the rejection of the Japanese demands for permission to send troops through French Indo-China, is rife throughout the Colony, states a Saigon message.

Owing to the present very strict censorship, it is impossible to discover for certain what is happening or what the immediate future holds in store.

It would appear, however, that the die is not yet cast, for despite the open rejection of Japan's demands, negotiations between Japanese and French Indo-China authorities continue—in an outwardly friendly and rational manner.

General Nishihara remains on Indo-China soil.

PEARL RIVER CLOSED

SHANGHAI, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Uneasiness over the situation in French Indo-China is heightened by the action of the Japanese in again closing the Pearl River, which was only recently opened to navigation.

As a result, river traffic between Hongkong, Canton and Macao is suspended.

Messages from Chungking indicate that the Chinese forces concentrated on the frontiers of French Indo-China are ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

According to Chinese reports from Indo-China, people in the various parts of the Colony are organising petitions for a firm stand against the Japanese.

SUMA'S HOPE

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—"We hope that everything will be well managed in French Indo-China notwithstanding the various rumours to the contrary, and we hope that matters will be smoothed out in a few days time," stated Mr. Yakichiro Suma, the Foreign Office spokesman today at a Press conference.

The spokesman said that he had no information regarding the alleged revolt in French Indo-China.

Questioned regarding negotiations with the Petain Government, the spokesman disclosed that they were progressing though the final stage had not yet been reached.

NO INTERRUPTION

VICHY, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—An authoritative statement by the Havas Agency states that there has been no interruption in the negotiations proceeding for some time between the French and Japanese Governments in regard to their interests in the Far East.

A RUMOUR

It is rumoured that the Japanese will despatch troops across French Indo-China border tomorrow.

Meanwhile, it is learned that an agreement has been reached between the Chungking Government and the French Indo-China Government concerning defence measures to be adopted in the event of an invasion.

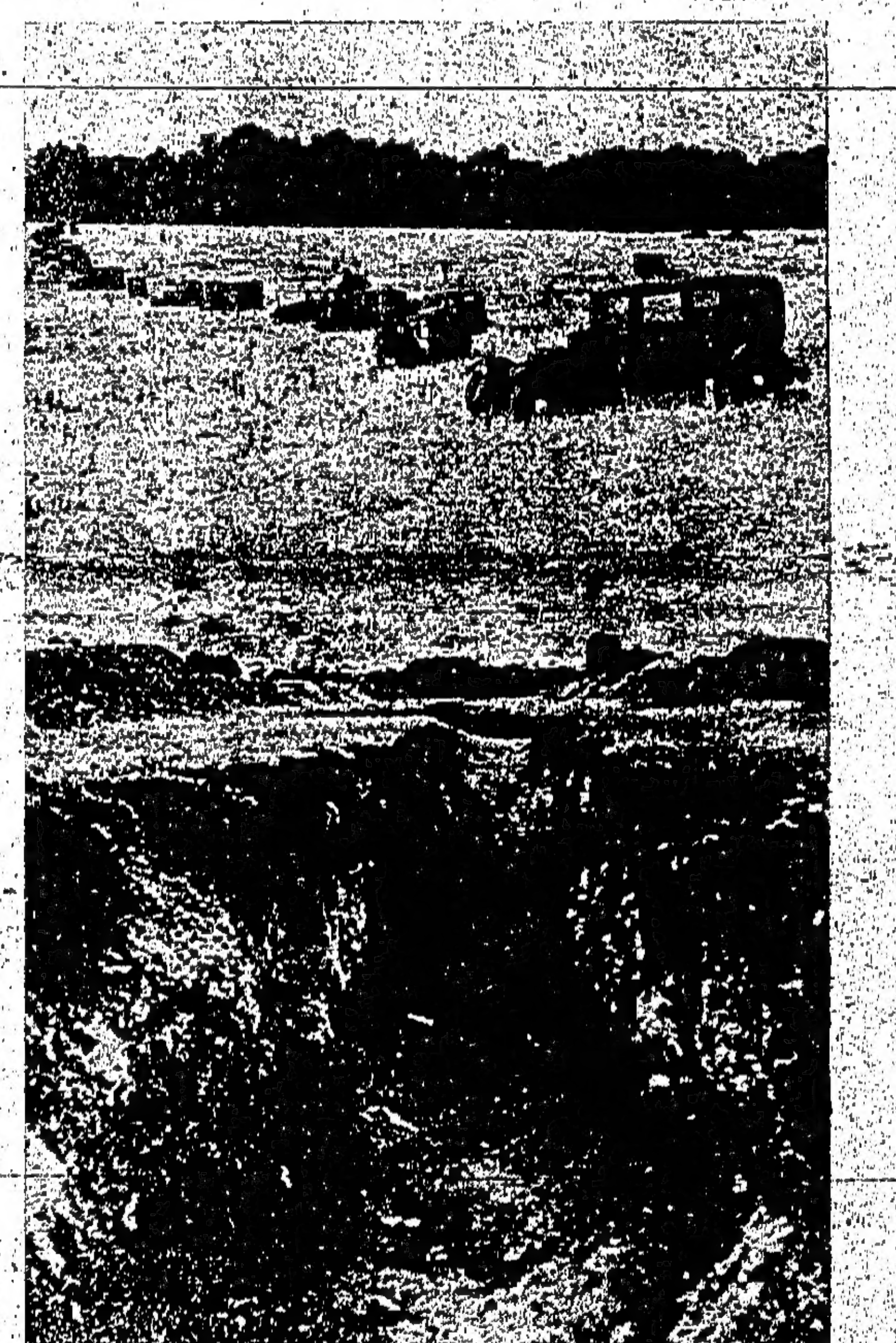
It is reported that Admiral Decoux, Governor-General, has given an assurance to the Chinese Central Government, affirming that under no circumstances will he permit the passage of Japanese armed forces through the country.

Further reports state that Japanese warships are cruising outside Indo-China territorial waters and are blockading the north-east coast.

DEFENCES MANNED

Defence positions in the French Colony have been manned and native troops have been mobilised to meet any eventualities. Preparations are also being made to evacuate all women and children from ports and towns near the coast.

NO THREE-POINT LANDINGS HERE



Upper: Decollet cars in a large field "somewhere in England" to prevent enemy planes from landing. Lower: A field on a farm in England which has been dug up by the owner in co-operation with the Government's programme for making as many fields as possible unsuited for airplane landings. Both pictures passed by the British censor.

MALAYA, DUTCH EAST INDIES ARE FULLY READY FOR INVADER

As Americans in America they had never pictured to themselves a Malaya and a Dutch East Indies as thoroughly primed and prepared to challenge the entry of an invader as they had found these places to be on their recent visit.

On an extensive tour of defence stations and defence works on the peninsula and throughout the islands they had become thoroughly convinced of this preparedness to meet and resist an attack.

Such was the unanimous opinion of the party of touring American journalists who arrived yesterday by the California Clipper.

The Dutch were armed with the best of modern weapons and had honeycombed Java and Dutch Borneo with depots for arms and supply bases. Bren guns, manned by determined men, challenged the entry of a stranger even in the most unassuming of places.

Arrivals at Dutch East Indies ports were subjected to a thoroughly scrutiny. This was

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Moscow Calls More Men To Colours

MOSCOW, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—More men were called to the colours by a decree summoning the whole of the 1920 class, most of the 1921 class and all in the 1922 class who had ten years schooling.

Men in older classes, previously exempted, were also called up.

In the World of Sports

PORTUGAL WON INTERNATIONAL TILT ON UNEARNED TALLIES: U.S. OUTHIT WINNERS

Asheville-Mindanao Squad Too Good For Local Boys

BY R.O.Y.

HEADLINING THE WEEK-END baseball card, Portugal delighted their supporters by dethroning America in the local international series to gain their first term as custodians of the Mamak International Shield. Incidentally, providing another of those upsets which have been a regular feature of the current season.

THE UNITED STATES, now merely ex-champions, were strongly fancied to retain their title, having as they did the services of the U.S.S. Asheville outfit, but, after outhitting their conquerors by 10 safeties to 5, bogged down in their defence and allowed the new champs numerous unearned tallies.

Hurling for the Stars and Stripes, Joe Harvey registered 10 strike-outs and conceded only one free pass, but committed two costly errors that played a great part in debiting him with the defeat. The Portuguese boys were not faultless by any means, but their three miscues cost only one gift tally, whereas the losers 5 bobbles gave away four markers.

The Americans, with doubles by Harvey, Deegan and Groverna and triple by Joe Harvey, hit for a total of 15 bases, as compared to the winners 7 bases which managed to reach that figure owing to George Souza's and A. V. Gosano's two-baggers. Jimmy Deegan and Joe Harvey paced Uncle Sam's hitters with two-in-three although Sonny Sondag, Japer Williamson and Tony Groverna were close behind, each connecting for two safeties in four trips to the plate.

EVENTFUL SIXTH

None of the Portuguese squad managed to garner more than one hit and, of their seven markers, only two were actually batted in. Nick Beltrao driving "Spotty" Pereira home with a single to left and Linho Gosano scoring brother Bertie with a sacrifice to second base in that eventful sixth stanza when the winners collected their two-run lead with a four-run rally.

As the U.S.S. Mindanao was still in port, American supporters were puzzled as to the season why Uncle Sam's original lineup was not used and after the game, several ventured the opinion that had the Mindanao players been started the result would have been different.

To settle this question, without trying to detract anything from Portugal's victory, a challenge match has been arranged for this coming Saturday at 3 p.m., unfortunately though, several of Portugal's best will not be able to turn out, despite which they have sportingly agreed to field the best team available.

CHARITY GAME

On Sunday morning, the U.S. Navy, represented by an Asheville-Mindanao combine, trounced the Hongkong Baseball League outfit by 8 tallies to 2, to take a 2-1 lead in the five-game Charity Cup Series.

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V.R.C. MEMBERS HOLD GALA

Keen Competition In All Events

Keen competition featured the third inter-members' swimming gala held by the Victoria Recreation Club at their pool last night. Although the programme consisted mainly of handicap events nevertheless all races were closely contested.

RESULTS

1. Members 50 yards back stroke (handicap): 1. A. K. Rumjahn; 2. A. Azeido; 3. J. Gosano. Time: 36 secs. 2. Members 100 yards free style Class "A": 1. C. Silva-Netto; 2. L. M. Remedios. Time: 62 1/5 secs. 3. Ladies 100 yards free style Class "A": 1. Jackie Anderson; 2. Vivienne Churn; 3. Doreen Weir. Time: 77 1/5 secs. 4. Members 50 yards breast stroke: 1. R. Rocha; 2. A. Marques. Time: 36 4/5 secs. 5. Members 50 yards free style Class "B": 1. J. Gosano; 2. E. L. Rozario; 3. F. M. Viera. Time: 38 secs. 6. Boys' 50 yards free style: 1. E. Guterres; 2. A. Lopes; 3. A. Remedios. Time: 37 2/5 secs. 7. Ladies 25 yards back stroke: 1. Yvonne Yelle; 2. Doreen Weir; 3. C. Marques. Time: 24 2/5 secs. 8. Diving Handicap: 1. Q. Rozario; 2. M. da Rosa; 3. A. A. Guterres. 9. Boys 50 yard back stroke: 1. L. Guterres; 2. T. Lopes; 3. F. Monteiro. Time: 44 3/5 secs. 10. Ladies 50 yards free style "B" Class: 1. Y. Yelle; 2. M. Noronha; 3. M. Choa. Time: 38 secs. 11. Members 50 yards free style Class "A": 1. C. Silva-Netto; 2. L. M. Remedios; 3. A. J. Hussain. 12. Members 100 yards breast stroke: 1. A. Alves; 2. L. M. Remedios; 3. A. Marques. Time: 86 secs. 13. Members 100 yards back stroke: 1. A. K. Rumjahn. Time: 71 3/5 secs. 14. Ladies 25 yards breast stroke: 1. Vivienne Churn; 2. Doreen Weir; 3. M. Choa. Time: 18 secs.

COLONY AQUATIC HEATS

Heats for the Colony swimming championships will be held at the V.R.C. on Sept. 17, 18 and 19 respectively. Entries for the championships will close on Saturday, Sept. 14.

To have been entertaining as the best of Joe E. Brown's latest rickshaws. Man of the match was Tony the Wop who played as an extra felder for the Asheville aggregation and went all the way to second base on a roller to the mound then scored later when Red Koenig, for whom he was supposed to have pinch-hit, slashed out a double to left. The game couldn't have been more amusing had it been stage managed!

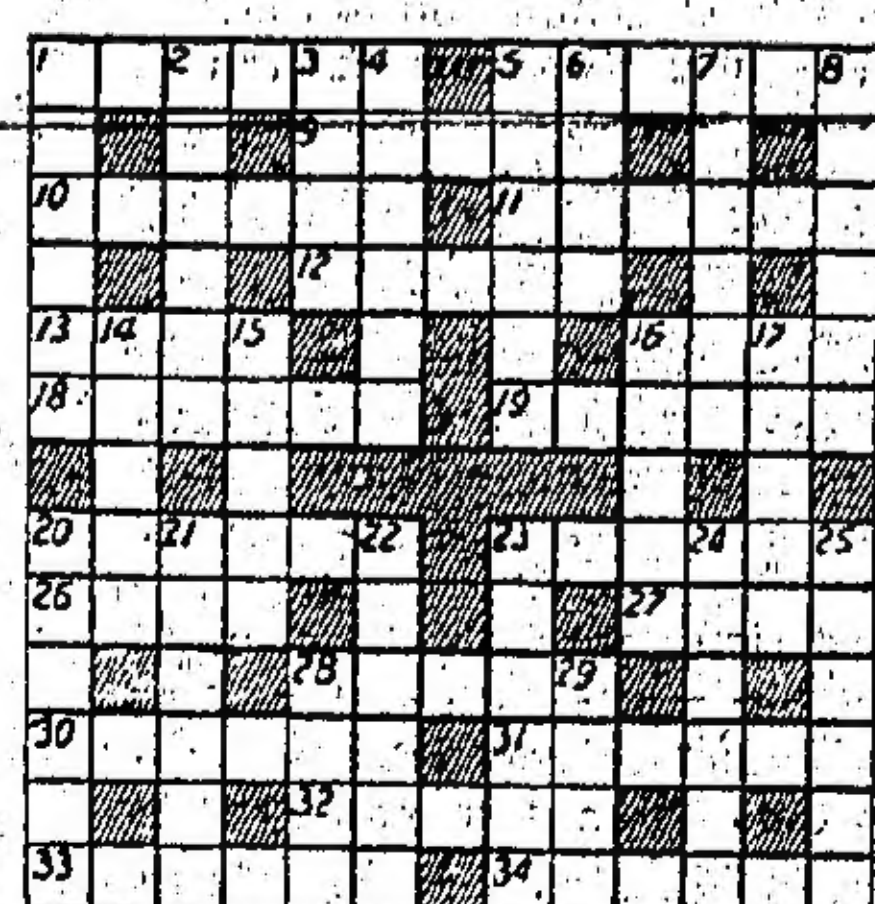
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SOLUTION TOMORROW

SENIOR BOWLS TITLE IS BETWEEN RECREIO 'A' AND CRAIGENGOWER

Match At Austin Road On Saturday May Decide

BY "NO. 1"

The bright weather last Saturday saw an almost complete programme of lawn bowls decided.

The First Division championship still lies between Recreio 'A' and the Craigengower Cricket Club and the chances are fairly even.

As expected on Saturday the Champions had an easy time against the Hongkong Football Club winning by 35 shots. Robertson was no match for Carlos Silva who has not lost yet.

Bebbington met 'Spuggy' Silva and lost only by four, 21-25. Duncan and Luz had a very close tussle.

Craigengower made easy work of Kowloon Docks Recreation Club winning by 30 shots but the game between Omar and Morrison was very close. Baza had his first victory in nine games.

Indian Recreation Club proved too good for Kowloon Cricket Club beating the latter on all rinks by 21 shots. There were two sevens scored by the home team—one by Abbas and the other by Dallah who was playing brilliant bowls. Minu was down two shots on the 9th end against Goodwin but pulled up very well by excellent play and the finish saw him win by seven shots.

Police Recreation Club could not retain their form and went down to Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 23 shots. Perkins, skipping in place of Dall, lost to Sheriff 13-24.

Recreio 'B' who won their first game in ten encounters when they beat Civil Service Cricket Club by 30 shots, played with a greatly changed team which proved a success and, in my opinion, should be kept intact for the next few games. L. Silva, making his debut as skip in place of J. E. Noronha, lost to Rakusen by three shots.

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon Cricket Club had a narrow win over Craigengower by six shots mainly due to the 20 shots win of Moss' rink over Ways' four. Moss scored on 15 ends.

Talkoo Recreation Club had the better of Hongkong Cricket Club by 11 shots.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club trounced Kowloon Football Club by 25 shots, the home team being up on all rinks. The game between Lockhart and Field was very close and scoring was low.

Kowloon Tong had a clean sweep against Recreio beating the Portuguese team by 45 shots—the biggest of the afternoon. Stephens had a huge win against Yvanovich by 24 shots which included three fours and seven threes!

The game between Civil Service Cricket Club and Police Recreation Club resulted in a victory of 16 shots for the former mainly due to their rearranged team. Simmons, Eccleshall's No. 3, was given the reins of the rink and he beat McDonald by 18 shots.

THIRD DIVISION

Kowloon Football Club had the better of Hongkong Football Club by ten shots thanks to the excellent play of Dr. Smalley's rink which beat Needham's quartette by 11 shots.

Hongkong Cricket Club, at Chater Road, went down to the Hongkong Electric Recreation Club by 18 shots.

Craigengower Cricket Club, playing at the Valley, lost badly to the Prison Officers' Club by 39 shots.

Solution No. 699

ACROSS: 1, Hideous; 5, Colic; 8, Replace; 9, Again; 10, Pat; 12, School; 15, Geneva; 16, Arises; 17, Afer; 19, Asks; 20, States; 22, Re-bate; 23, System; 24, Odd; 28, Vital; 29, Rallied; 30, Dared; 31, Badgers.

DOWN: 1, Herds; 2, Depth; 3, Orator; 4, Step; 5, Crater; Leaders; 7, Canvass; 12, Agents; 13, Oar; 14, Lifted; 17, Arrived; 18, Arbitr; 19, Ass; 20, Stolid; 21, Eyelid; 24, Trit; 25, Modes; 27, Drab.

VALLEY TRAINING GALLOPS

Following the summer recess ponies of the Hongkong Jockey Club were taken for a work-out yesterday morning in preparation for the second half of the racing season and the following times were returned:—

	Dis-tance	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Last
Income Tax	1 40	1:18.2	1:50.4	2:17.4	27	
Thirty Six	1 36.4	1:13.4	1:45.3		31.4	
Sylvandale	1 44	1:23.4	1:57.1		33.2	
Maple Star	1 41	1:20.2	1:52.2		32	
Rose Emily	1 39	1:15	1:47		32	
Avon	1 42	1:25	2:02	2:35	33	
Galveston Bay	1 44	1:26	2:07		41	
Jane Doe	1 42	1:25	2:02	2:34	32	
Devonian	1 40	1:19	1:50		31	
Quick Despatch & Pumelo	1 40	1:20	1:54.4	2:27.4	31	
Victoria	1 39.2	1:15.3	1:50		34.2	
King Kong	1 34	1:07	1:39.2		32.2	
Heddon & Matadory	1 44.2	1:24	2:00.2	2:33.4	33.2	
Fair Chance	1 54	1:34.4	2:08	2:37	31	
Resisting Time	1 37	1:11	1:41.3		30.3	
Schmetterling	1 33	1:04.2	1:33		28.3	
Just in Time	1 33.4	1:07	1:38.3		31.8	
Lancashire Lass	1 30	1:03	1:37	2:11	34	
Winnle	1 36	1:10	1:41.2	2:10.2	29	
Brown Derby	1 40	1:16	1:49		33	
Romson	1 38.3	1:16.3	1:51.2	2:23.2	32	
Cockleroi	1 49	1:35	2:16		31	
Royal Highness & Phoenix	1 50	1:35	2:12	2:46	33.4	
Smiling Time, Emergency Unit & Guinness Time	1 38.4	1:18	1:50.1		32.1	
Boat Bay	1 39	1:16	1:49	2:22	33	
Dow Jones, King's Envoy & Gallant Marshal	1 40	1:15.1	1:49.3		34.2	
Willynilly	1 42	1:19.2	1:50.4		31.2	
Taxing Master	1 34	1:08	1:38.4		30.4	
Rose Day & Lovely Kid	1 38	1:16	1:56.1	2:33	35.4	
Salvage Master	1 44	1:21	1:55	2:28.3	33.3	
Amber II	1 37	1:11.2	1:41		29.3	

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

LAWN BOWLS: — Colony Open Singles Championship. First Round: B.A. Mancell v. J.N. Wong (At Kowloon F.C.), H.F. Harper v. Y. H. Tang; H. Overly v. W. Ward (At Kowloon B.G.C.), J.E.V. Ribeiro v. T. Madar (At Kowloon Docks).

TENNIS: — "D" Division: C.R.C. "A" v. I.R.C.

TO-MORROW

LAWN BOWLS: — Colony Open Singles Championship. First Round: C.G. Silva v. V. N. Atienza; R.S. Meadows v. C. C. Pereira (At Kowloon B.G.C.), M. Ferguson v. J. H. Gelling; T. Coleman v. A. E. Coates (At Recreio), L. F. Xavier v. J. G. Meyer; P. Morgan v. R.F. da Luz; C.M. Silva v. W. L. Walker (At Kowloon C.C.).

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

LAWN BOWLS: — First Division: Police R.C. v. Recreio, Kowloon B.G.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon Docks v. Civil Service, Hongkong F.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Recreio "B" v. Indian R. C. Second Division:

COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on August 31:— Cholera, 48 cases (14 deaths and one imported case); Diphtheria, five cases (one imported); Enteric fever, 15 cases (five deaths); Measles, one case; Cerebro-spinal fever, three cases (two deaths); Dysentery, 50 cases (27 deaths); Tuberculosis, 205 cases (132 deaths and one imported case).

DAILY RETURNS

The return for the 24 hours ended at midnight on September 3 is as follows: Cholera, nine cases; Enteric fever, seven cases; Cerebro-spinal fever, two cases; Dysentery, 11 cases; Tuberculosis, 56 cases.

Recreio v. Craigengower, Kowloon Tong v. Talkoo, Police R. C. v. Hongkong C.C., Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Civil Service v. Kowloon F.C.

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Laurence Olivier, the sensational, handsome young star of "Wuthering Heights" and "The Divorce of Lady X" comes to the Majestic Theatre tomorrow in Columbia's "Clouds Over Europe," hailed as one of the most thrilling, mystery action dramas of the year.

"Clouds Over Europe" is the story of Scotland Yard's desperate efforts to track down a nationwide espionage ring. The workings of the world famous police agency are revealed, as well as the ingenious intrigues of the enemy agents.

Olivier is seen as a debonaire test pilot who undertakes a dangerous flight, fully aware of the fact that it may be his last, in order to help solve the mystery.

The romantic side of things is handled by lovely Valerie Hobson, who has become known as England's best-dressed actress. Others in the splendid cast are George Curzon, who starred in the Broadway production of "Parnell" in the role later played on the screen by Clark Gable; and Sandra Storme, beautiful model who figured prominently in "Artists and Models." Tim Whelan directed for Columbia.

COMING EVENTS

SEPT.

5-Tides: High 11.28 a.m. and 11.39 p.m. Low 4.56 a.m. and 5.20 p.m. Sunrise: 6.07 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 p.m. Entries close for Macao Race.

French Convent School: Entrance Examinations for new pupils, 9 a.m. Auxiliary Nursing Service, Lecture on Home Nursing, Kowloon Hospital (M-2).

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.; Speaker—Mr. K. S. Fung on "Impressions of My Trip to the United States of America."

Cheong Club Bridge & Mahjong Meeting, 6.30 p.m.; Club Committee, 8.30 p.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Working Party (Medical), 10 a.m.

Craigengower O.C. Weekly Whist Drive, 9 p.m.

6-Tides: High 12.28 p.m. Low 5.46 a.m. and 5.54 p.m. Sunrise: 6.07 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.

Maryknoll Convent School, Kowloon Tong re-opens; Entrance Examinations.

Diocesan Girls' School re-opens. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Meeting of University Council, Legislative Council Chamber, 5.45 p.m.

Cheong Club Darts and Table Tennis.

Volunteer Nursing Detachment, First Aid Lecture and Distribution of Certificates, etc., St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Jubilee Sale, in aid of general church funds, 3 p.m.

7-Tides: High 12.24 a.m. and 1.11 p.m. Low 6.45 a.m. and 6.47 p.m. Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.35 p.m.

St. Stephen's College, Stanley: Entrance Examination for new pupils, 9 a.m.

Maryknoll Convent School: Entrance Examination, Lawn Bowls League.

8-Tides: High 1.11 a.m. and 2.47 p.m. Low 7.57 a.m. and 7.41 p.m. Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.33 p.m.

National Day of Prayer. Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church Sunday Schools re-open, 10 a.m.

Charity football match, Caroline Hill.

Lawn bowls Open Rinks final. Baseball League.

9-Tides: High 2.09 a.m. and 4.23 p.m. Low 8.22 a.m. and 7.42 p.m. Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.32 p.m.

French Convent School and University Hostel new term re-opens, 8.30 a.m.

La Salle College re-opens. St. Stephen's Girls' College re-opens.

St. Stephen's College, Stanley, re-opens.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Royden House Girls' School, Kowloon Tong, re-opens.

St. Andrew's Club and St. Andrew's Fellowship joint social, 9 p.m.

Kowloon Cricket Club "Knock-Out" Contract Bridge Tournament—First Round to be completed.

R.E.O.C.A. Quarterly General Meeting, Wellington Barracks, 6 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

10-Tides: High 3.21 a.m. and 6.07 p.m. Low 11.08 a.m. and 8.54 p.m. Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.31 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.; Speaker—Mr. F. Filippance on "The Botanic Gardens."

11-Tides: High 4.37 a.m. and 7.23 p.m. Low 12.17 a.m. and 10.52 p.m. Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.31 p.m.

H.K. Electric Co., Ltd., Interim Dividend payable.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K.F.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

12-Tides: High 5.53 a.m. and 8.08 p.m. Low 1.07 p.m.

Surprise: 6.09 a.m.; Sunset: 6.30 p.m.

Entries close for H.K. Jockey Club's Seventh Extra Meeting, 12 noon.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Weekly Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

13-Tides: High 6.53 a.m. and 8.37 p.m. Low 12.14 a.m. and 1.41 p.m.

Surprise: 6.09 a.m.; Sunset: 6.29 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

14-Tides: High 7.47 a.m. and 9.04 p.m. Low 1.09 a.m. and 2.15 p.m.

Surprise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.28 p.m.

Claims against estate of Frank Malcolm Lane Crawford due.

Kowloon Cricket Club—Supper and Smoking Concert, 9 p.m.

St. Teresa's Hospital to be opened by the Vicar apostolic of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. H. Valente, 4 p.m.

Entries close Swimming Championships.

15-Tides: High 8.34 a.m. and 9.27 p.m. Low 1.56 a.m. and 2.44 p.m.

Surprise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.27 p.m.

Macao Jockey Club's September Race Meeting.

Claims against estate of John Herbert Roberts due.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

16-Tides: High 9.14 a.m. and 9.49 p.m. Low 2.37 a.m. and 3.15 p.m.

Surprise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.26 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Meeting of All Christian Clubs Urban Council Chamber, 5.15 p.m.

17-Tides: High 9.49 a.m. and 10.11 p.m. Low 3.18 a.m. and 3.44 p.m.

Surprise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.25 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Swimming Championship Heats at V.R.C.

18-Tides: High 10.24 a.m. and 10.37 p.m. Low 3.55 a.m. and 4.14 p.m.

Surprise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.24 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Swimming Championship Heats at V.R.C.

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Tango—Manila—Bernardo Almeyda & His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Cuban Romeo—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Waltz—Olney Love Sing (from "The Fortune Teller"); Toyland (from "Babes in Toyland")—Harry Horlick and His Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Four Waltzes by the Orchestra Mascotte.

Vienna Citizen (Ziehrer); Indian Summer (Lohr); Song of Autumn (Joyce); After the Ball (Harris).

1.15 Hawaiian Music.

Hawaiian Berceuse (Bordin); Tears of Love (Gypsy Song—Bordin)—Gino Bordin and His Hawaiians. Oua, Oua; Tomi, Tomi—Kanui and Lulu. Samoan Love Song (film "Taboo")—Andy Iona and His Islanders.

1.30 Renter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Haydn—Symphony No. 102 in B Flat Major.

Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

2.40 Tchaikowsky—"The Swan Lake" Ballet Music.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dorati.

6.33 Songs by Oscar Natke (Bass). Magic Flute—Seven Variations On The Duet "The Manly Heart" (arr. Beethoven)—Emanuel Feuermann (Cello) and Theo van der Pas (Piano).

"Costi Fan Tutte"—All Too Slowly the Hours are Passing—Ina Souez and Heddie Nash (Vocal Duet).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.45 A Variety Programme.

Scottish Comedian—Round Scotland with Will Fyfe—Will Fyfe with Orchestra. Orch.—Swing High, Swing Low (from the film); Will You Remember—Waltz (film "Maytime")—

19-Tides: High 10.54 a.m. and 10.44 p.m. Low 4.35 a.m. and 4.42 p.m.

Surprise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.19 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Swimming Championship Heats at V.R.C.

20-Tides: High 11.25 a.m. and 11.04 p.m. Low 5.14 a.m. and 5.06 p.m.

Surprise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.28 p.m.

Raub-Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd., second interim dividend payable to shareholders on registers in Brisbane and Singapore.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

21-Tides: High 11.55 a.m. and 11.37 p.m. Low 5.56 a.m. and 5.27 p.m.

Surprise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.31 p.m.

H.K.F.A. League, First Round starts. H.K. Jockey Club's Seventh Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

22-Tides: High 12.37 p.m. Low 6.42 a.m. and 6.42 p.m.

Surprise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.29 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

23-Tides: High 12.52 a.m. and 1.40 p.m.

Surprise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.28 p.m.

24-Tides: High 12.47 a.m. and 3.17 p.m. Low 5.53 a.m. and 6.08 p.m.

Surprise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.18 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Ladies' Golf—Autumn Meeting and "Tomestone" Competition.

25-Tides: High 1.44 a.m. and 5.27 p.m. Low 10.28 a.m. and 6.33 p.m.

Surprise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.17 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Colony Swimming Championships, 6.15 p.m.

26-Tides: High 2.59 a.m. and 6.33 p.m. Low 11.54 a.m. and 8.38 p.m.

Surprise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.16 p.m.

Entries close for Hongkong Jockey Club's Eighth Extra Race Meeting, 12 noon.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Colony Swimming Championships, 6.15 p.m.

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MUTUAL CONFIDENCE, GOODWILL PAVED WAY FOR NAVAL TREATY BETWEEN BRITAIN, U.S.

Practical Means For Aid Evolved: London Pleased

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—It is officially announced in London that the Anglo-American Naval Treaty, signed in Washington on Monday, provides for immediate transfer to Britain of 50 United States destroyers and in return Britain will make available to the United States on a 99-years lease certain naval and air facilities in British territory on the seaboard of the North American continent.

The notes accompanying the agreement make clear that the British Commonwealth and the United States have evolved, during the negotiations, a practical method of contributing materially and effectively to each other's defence requirements. The text of the note from Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, to Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, dated September 2, states that:

"In view of the basis of friendship and sympathetic interest of His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom in the national security of the United States and their desire to strengthen the ability of the United States to co-operate effectively with other nations of the Americas in defence of the Western Hemisphere, His Majesty's Government will grant the United States freely and without consideration a lease for immediate establishment of naval and air bases and facilities for entrance thereto and protection thereof on the Avalon Peninsula and on the southern coast of Newfoundland and on the east coast and great Bay of Bermuda."

CARIBBEAN BASES

The note continues that in view of the desire of the United States to acquire additional air and naval bases in the Caribbean and British Guiana and without endeavouring to place a monetary or commercial value upon many tangible and intangible rights and properties involved, His Majesty's Government will make available to the United States, for immediate establishment and use as naval and air bases at the following places:

The eastern side of the Bahamas, the southern coast of Jamaica, the western coast of Saint Lucia, the west coast of Trinidad, the Gulf of Paria, the island of Antigua and British Guiana within 50 miles of Georgetown.

In exchange the United States will transfer to the British Government military equipment and material.

FREE FROM RENT

All the bases referred to in the preceding paragraph will be leased for a period of 99 years, free from all rent and charges other than the mutually agreed compensation to owners of private property.

The British Government in the leases to be agreed on will grant the United States all rights, power and authority within the bases leased and within the limit of territorial waters and air spaces in the vicinity of such bases necessary to provide access to them and the protection of them.

The exact location and bounds of the bases are to be determined by common agreement.

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VALUE OF BASES TO U.S.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt, in the train en route to Washington yesterday, declared the chief value of the new naval and air bases to the U.S.A. was they would keep an enemy away from the United States' front door.

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

Pétain Broadcast To French Empire

LONDON, Aug. 4 (Reuter)—Marshal Pétain, Dictator of France, appealed to the French Empire to stand by the Vichy Government in a broadcast yesterday which he entitled "A Message of Truth and Confidence."

"France, he said, has lost three-fifths of her territory through German occupation. But her unity is as strong as ever and nothing could prevail against it. The first duty of the French Empire, said Marshal Pétain, is to obey the second to help the Vichy Government."

VICHY DECREE

An official Vichy decree yesterday confirmed the dismissal of General Catroux from French Indo-China and also dismissed the Secretary-General of New Caledonia, which has announced its intention to carry on the war at the side of General de Gaulle and Britain.

Importance. Thirdly, it strengthens the material defence of the Western Hemisphere.

MUTUAL GOOD WILL

It may fairly be pointed out that such an important agreement could never be realised except in an atmosphere of mutual confidence and good will and it may be cited as an example of the way the Democracies can assure their own and common interests.

The destroyers will be used in the same way as British destroyers. They will be brought over by British crews.

Some of them were used in the neutrality patrol and they are thought to require little or no alteration.

ADMIRALTY PLEASED

The utmost pleasure and satisfaction at the arrangement regarding U.S. destroyers was expressed by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, in a statement in London last night.

Mr. Alexander declared: "They come at a time when the strain upon our destroyer fleet has been very great and they will be of incalculable value to us not only for escorting convoys but also for protecting our coasts from the threat of invasion."

CZECH SQUADRON DOWNS SEVEN GERMAN RAIDERS

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The German Air Force failed in any way to weaken British fighter opposition in two attempts to penetrate the defences of south-east England yesterday, says the Air Ministry news service. Objectives of the two big attacks appear to have been R.A.F. aerodromes.

The morning attack was carried out by about 250 planes which flew up the Thames Estuary.

The second attack, which resulted in an air raid warning lasting 15 minutes in the London area, was carried out by 100 to 150 planes.

During the morning raid a newly formed Czech Squadron of the R.A.F. shot down another seven German planes, bringing its total to 18 with the loss of only one Czech pilot.

Meanwhile an official announcement says it is now established that two more enemy aircraft were shot down yesterday by our fighters, making the total for the day 25.

BOMB DROPPED

An Air Ministry communique yesterday evening said that enemy planes in considerable numbers crossed the south-east coast yesterday morning. Reports received up to the time of the communique indicated that a few bombs had been dropped, mostly in South Kent districts.

Little damage was done, but there were a few casualties, several of which were fatal.

ANNIVERSARY OF WAR COMMEMORATED

PREMIER ATTENDS ABBEY SERVICE

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—A service at Westminster Abbey in commemoration of the first anniversary of the war was held during an air raid warning yesterday morning.

The Prime Minister and members of the Cabinet attended.

The warning was sounded just before the service was due to begin. Mr. Churchill conversed with the Dean for several minutes and it was then decided to continue the service.

PLEBISCITE IN PACIFIC

French Islands Rally Round De Gaulle

WELLINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The French Pacific Islands groups of Tahiti, Moorea and Paumotu, by 5,564 votes to 18, declared for General de Gaulle at a plebiscite held to decide the island's attitude.

The administration of the islands is assumed by a provisional government, pending the nomination of a new governor by General de Gaulle.

The news was announced here by the Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, who said he had received the information from Papeete, capital of Tahiti.

MORE MONEY FOR SPITFIRE FUND

LONDON, Aug. 4 (Reuter)—Netherlands sailors were given an extra 2s. 6d. pay on Saturday last in honour of their Queen's birthday.

It is now learned that most of them asked their captain to give the money to the local Spitfire funds as a mark of their gratitude to the R.A.F.

ITALIANS RAID MALTA

NO DAMAGE CAUSED

CAIRO, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Further R.A.F. attacks on jetties and warehouses at Assab was announced in an R.A.F. communique which stated that all bombs fell on the target area but it was not possible to observe the results. One fire started by a raid on the previous day was still burning.

In the Buna area, Kenya, aircraft of the South African Air Force attacked enemy troops and transport while aircraft of the Rhodesian Squadron carried out extensive reconnaissance in other areas.

A formation of enemy bombers escorted by a considerable force of fighters attempted to raid Malta but no damage was caused by the enemy's bombs.

Heavy Explosions In Calais, Boulogne

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Heavy explosions and distant gunfire in the direction of Calais and Boulogne were heard by people of Kentish coast towns.

It is believed that the R.A.F. was making a surprise attack on guns and shipping in the vicinity of these ports.

SOUTH AFRICA'S GIFT TO ROYAL NAVY

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The people of South-west Africa have given £22,000 for the relief of men of the Royal Navy and Merchant Navy and their dependants. Acknowledging the gift, the Senior Naval Officer at Simonstown, Cape Province, says that it is a matter of pride to see the extent of the great practical friendship shown to the Navy by every section of South Africa.

American Hospital Unit In Britain

STAFFED BY EIGHT DOCTORS

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The first American hospital unit to serve under the Ministry of Health has arrived in Britain. Manned by volunteers, it is staffed by eight doctors, all Professors of Surgery, three nurses and two additional workers.

Dr. Wilson, head of the unit, said that they would work in Britain if necessary or would willingly go abroad if required.

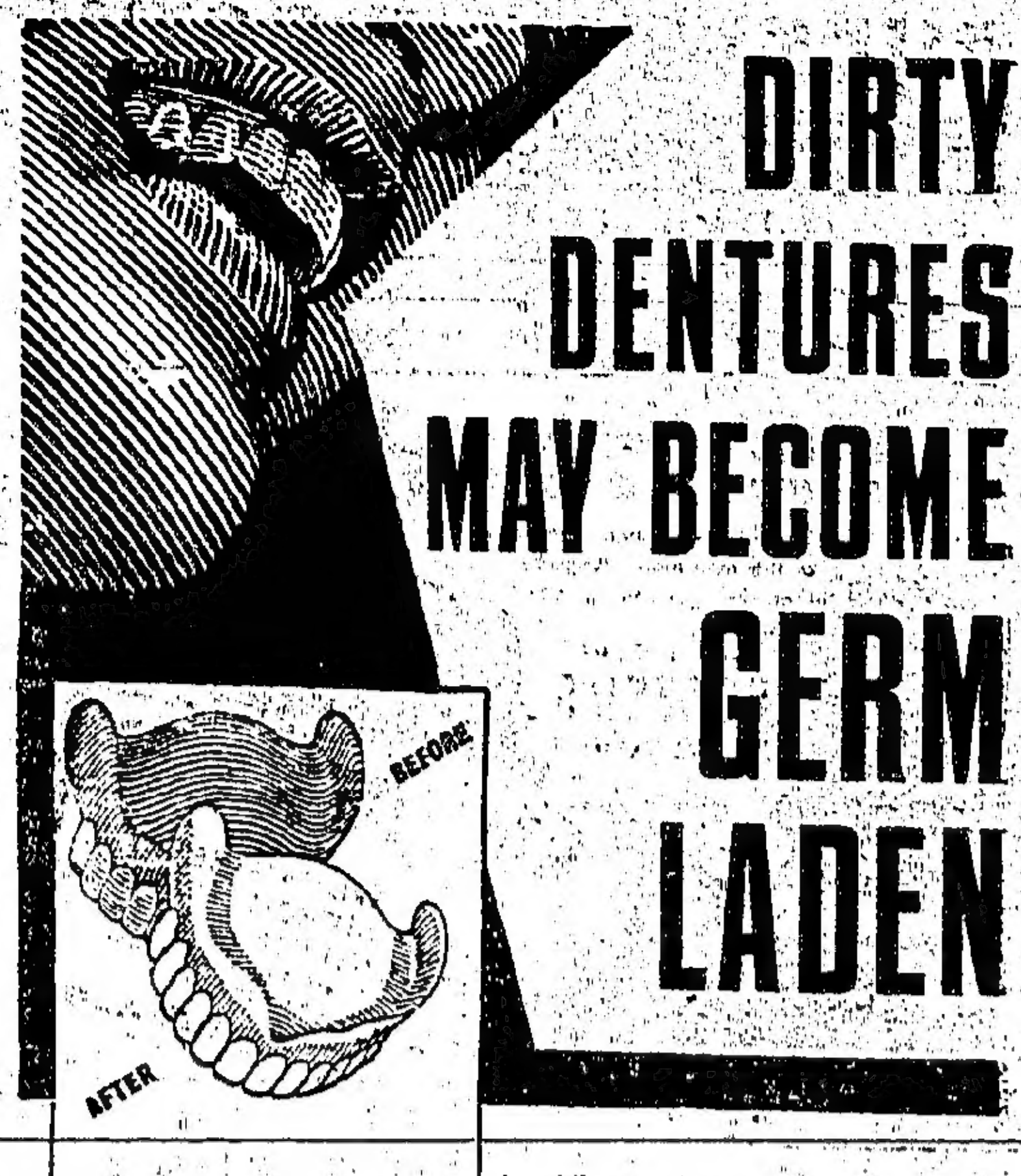
Dr. Wilson was amazed when he arrived to see so much shipping carrying on normal business. He was also very impressed by the morale of the British people, especially during air raids.

The only thing that seems to worry them was the time wasted in the shelters, he commented.

700 U.S. PLANES A MONTH FOR BRITAIN

NEW YORK, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The United States Defence Commission and purchasing agencies of the U.S. Army and Navy have worked out with manufacturers an arrangement by which Britain will receive an average of 700 American fighting planes a month over the next 20 months, reported the Washington correspondent of the New York Sun yesterday.

This means that cunning planes already under construction, the British Government could buy a total of 14,000 planes by April 1942, if it desired.



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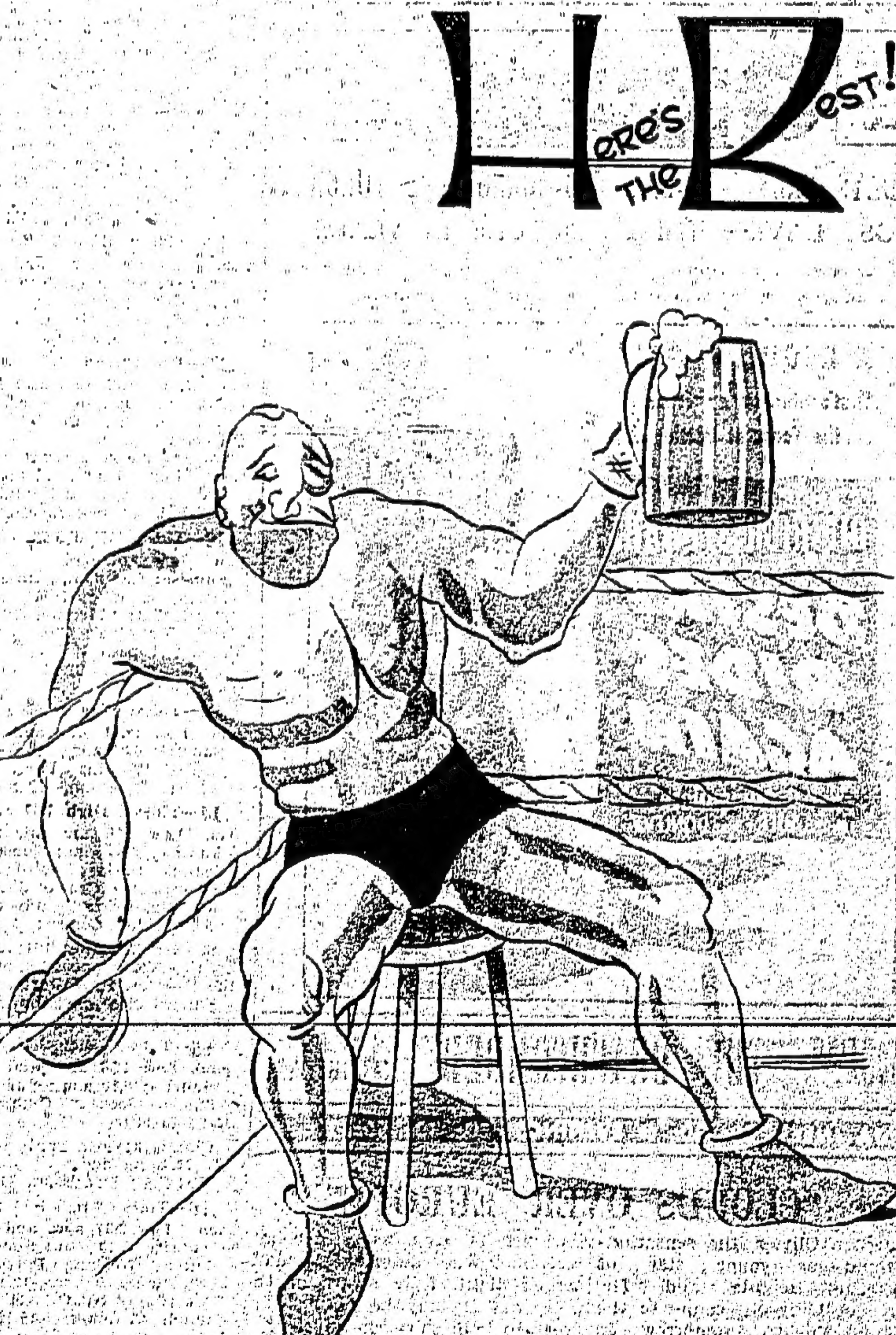
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Touring U.S. Journalists Arrive In Hongkong By Clipper

BRIEF STAY IN THE COLONY

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS CALIFORNIA CLIPPER (CAPTAIN R. H. MCGLOTHLIN) HAD A NUMBER OF PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON BOARD WHEN SHE ARRIVED AT KAI TAK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON from Manila, bringing U.S. mails for Hongkong, dated San Francisco, Aug. 27.

BRIEF STAY

Amongst the twenty-one passengers who stepped out of the flying-boat were seven American Journalists, representing the leading newspapers in the United States, who are making a brief overnight's stay in the Colony in the course of a Round-the-Pacific flight.

The party, which arrived yesterday, included the following:

Mr. James E. Bassett, Associated Press feature writer, connected with the Los Angeles Times; Mr. Harold Callender, connected with the New York Times; Mr. Peter Edson, connected with the NEA Service, Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. Royal A. Gunnison, connected with the North American Newspapers Alliance, San Francisco; Mr. Ansel E. Talbert, connected with the New York Herald Tribune; Mr. John K. Walsh, connected with the Kalamazoo Gazette, Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Mr. Steve Richards, newspaperman, accompanying the American Journalists.

Mr. George G. Gardner, Public Relations representative of the Pacific Division of Pan American Airways, also arrived from San Francisco to meet the touring pressmen.

This group of journalists left Treasure Island on Aug. 10 by the new Clipper service connecting America with the Antipodes. They arrived in Auckland, New Zealand, on Aug. 15 and have since toured the Netherlands East Indies, Singapore and Manila.

The party will be joined here by their leader, Mr. Roy Howard, publisher of the Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers, who was expected to arrive in Hongkong last night.

The tourists will leave Hongkong by the California Clipper when she takes off this morning on her return trip to San Francisco, via Manila.

OTHER ARRIVALS

Others who arrived by the Clipper yesterday were:

Mr. William E. Grimm, Jr., executive of the California Asia Company, Manila, on a business trip to Hongkong, accompanied by his wife—Mrs. Bella Grimm;

Mr. John B. Emmert, executive of Standard Oil Co., Hongkong, returning to the Colony after a business and pleasure trip to Manila, accompanied by his wife—Mrs. Grace F. Emmert—and son, Barrett F. Emmert;

Mr. Lionel Edwards, British business executive, en route to Calcutta, India, where he means to reside;

Mr. Fung Ping-fan, Chinese banker in Manila, on a business visit to Hongkong, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Fung Li-cheong, and his sister, Miss Fung Ying-wah;

Mr. Lee Kong-cheng, Singapore rubber merchant, returning on the same Clipper bound for San Francisco;

Mr. Yao Tzu-li, Chinese engineer, returning to his home in China, after three years residence in New York; and

Mr. Muk T. Ping and Mr. Yao Wa, Chinese businessmen, making a business trip to the Colony.

DEPARTURES BY CLIPPER TODAY

The California Clipper is scheduled to leave Kai Tak at 8.30 a.m. today for Manila en route to San Francisco. The following passengers had booked last night to leave on the flying-boat:

For San Francisco: Mr. M. W. Thornburg, Vice-President of the California Texas Oil Co., flying back home after a business trip to the Far East, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Lella Berry Thornburg; Mr. Soeren V. Topalian, official of the Aviation Equipment & Export Inc., making a round Hongkong-New York-Hongkong trip on urgent business; Mr. Prasart Sukhum, businessman from Thailand, en route to Washington, D.C., on business; Mr. George H. Farde, of the Bahrain Oil Co., returning from an inspection trip to the oil fields in Bahrain; Mr. Peter Edson, a member of the touring American newspaper men; Mr. George Gardner, Public Relations representative

PRECIOUS STONE LOST BY WOMAN WHO WAS UNAWARE OF VALUE

THE STORY OF HOW A PRECIOUS STONE, VALUED AT \$1,200, was stolen by a domestic servant who presented it to a friend, without knowing the actual value, and was finally lost, was described at the Kowloon Court yesterday before Mr. E. Himsforth.

Tang Kam, married woman, was charged with stealing the stone, while Kwan Wai-fun was accused of receiving it.

SORDID STORY RELATED AT MAGISTRACY

Sentence On Woman Deferred To Today

Sentence was deferred till today when Tsol Yee, 26, married woman, appeared before Mr. E. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of aiding and abetting the prostitution of Leung Ho, alias Lai King, a 16-year-old girl.

Insp. G. W. Moreton, of the S. C. A., outlining the case, said that on Aug. 30 at about 11 p.m. Sgt. Harrison went to the Ping On boarding house and saw the girl there. As the girl looked very young he asked her what she was doing there and the girl replied that she was waiting for someone.

ENQUIRIES MADE

The girl was taken to the Po Leung Kuk and on inquiries made it was found that the girl had been engaged by a man.

Insp. Moreton added that the girl had been practising prostitution for ten days since her arrival in the Colony, about a month ago.

Leung said she came to Hongkong with a cousin and was brought to No. 131 Queen's Road West, second floor, where she was handed to a woman named Sam Koo. When she could not find any work Sam Koo suggested that she practice prostitution. At first she refused but on being told that her mother was in debt to the amount of \$26 (Chinese money) she at last consented.

SAW MONEY PASSED

On the night of Aug. 29 at about 11 p.m. she was brought by a woman named Sze Koo to the Ping On boarding house and there she spent the night. On the following morning Sze Koo and defendant came to the boarding house and witness saw the man handing \$12 to defendant.

She returned to the boarding house the same night but was taken away by the Police.

Tsang Ng, amah at the Ping On boarding house, gave corroborative evidence.

Insp. Moreton told the Court that the girl had expressed a desire to be sent back to her mother in Sunwei and the S. C. A. was trying to make arrangements to meet her request.

FURTHER EVIDENCE BY A. A. RUMJAHN

Hearing was resumed before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday of the case in which Abdul Aziz Rumjahn, commission agent of Wang Hing building, is charged with the fraudulent conversion of 31 gold coins and 15 silver coins which were entrusted to him for sale by Mervanji Palonji Talati.

Continuing his evidence, Rumjahn said he had shown the coins to six or seven prospective clients. Immediately after the New Year holidays in 1938 Talati telephoned him and asked him to go to his office. He called there the next morning at about 11 a.m. Talati handed him a typed sheet of paper and asked him to sign it.

He told Talati that he would not mind signing a receipt for the coins but not that paper. Talati told witness that it was only to show his creditors.

Continuing, witness said he sold some coal for Talati and was to receive \$300 commission. As Talati had no money the sum was to be deducted from the sale of the coins.

Early in March, 1939, Talati went to his office and asked if he had sold the coins. He told Talati that he expected Ho Kim-hon, who had the coins, to return soon from Siam. A few days later he took all the coins to Talati and demanded the \$300 commission he owed him (Rumjahn). Talati then asked him to

Sgt. W. O. Morrison, prosecuting, said that on Aug. 10 the complainant, Ho Shing, of No. 107, Sai Yeung Choi Street, left the stone in the pocket of his shirt which he asked the defendant to have washed.

The complainant then offered \$10 for the recovery of the stone without mentioning the value of it. The defendant denied knowledge of the lost stone.

Four days later the first defendant presented it to the second defendant, saying that it had no value at all.

Without knowing the actual value of the stone, the second defendant kept it in the pocket of her jacket and eventually lost it.

Inquiries showed that both defendants had told the truth. The first accused was bound over in a sum of \$100 for one year while the second was discharged.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

AT CENTRAL

CASE NOT PRESSED

T.F. Chan, of the Kwok Wah Printing Company, 212 Wanchai Road, was summoned before Mr. H.G. Sheldon yesterday for possession of a camera at King's Road on August 25 without a permit.

Inspector McEwen said at 5.50 p.m. on the day in question Chan was found to have in his possession a camera at King's Road. When the films were developed they were all found to be family pictures. Insp. McEwen added that he was not pressing the case.

Chan was fined \$10.

CANING FOR COOLIE

Remanded from Tuesday for defendant to call a witness Cheung Kun-pai, 17, coolie, was yesterday found guilty of being a nuisance by throwing stones at Mt. Austin Barracks on Sept. 1 by Mr. Sheldon and was sentenced to 12 strokes of the cane.

POSSESSION OF WARD

A fine of \$15 or, in default, 14 days' imprisonment was imposed by Mr. G.T. Lowry yesterday on a 28-year-old woman, Cheung Chuk, of No. 13 New Street, second floor.

She was charged with failing to report the possession of a 9-year-old registered ward, Cheung Chum-mui, to the S.C.A.

Inspector Fraser said that an inspector went to defendant's house and found the girl there. Defendant had been in the Colony for eight years and the ward was given to her by the girl's mother two years ago.

CONFISCATION APPLICATION An application by Det. Sgt. Cullinan for the confiscation of one Chinese type of grenade, 21 rounds of ammunition and seven empty ammunition cases was granted by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

They were found by P.C. Wong Lau on the hillside near No. 50, Macdonnell Road on Saturday.

BURGLAR CONVICTED

Seen by a watchman with a parcel under his arms on Tuesday night Cheung Po, 20, unemployed, was stopped and searched. The parcel was found to contain a clock.

Cheung was charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for burglary at No. 19, Wing Fung Street West, ground floor.

Det. Sgt. J. Bentley said defendant got into the flat by putting his hand through a hole in the wire netting and opening the door. The clock was valued at 90 cents.

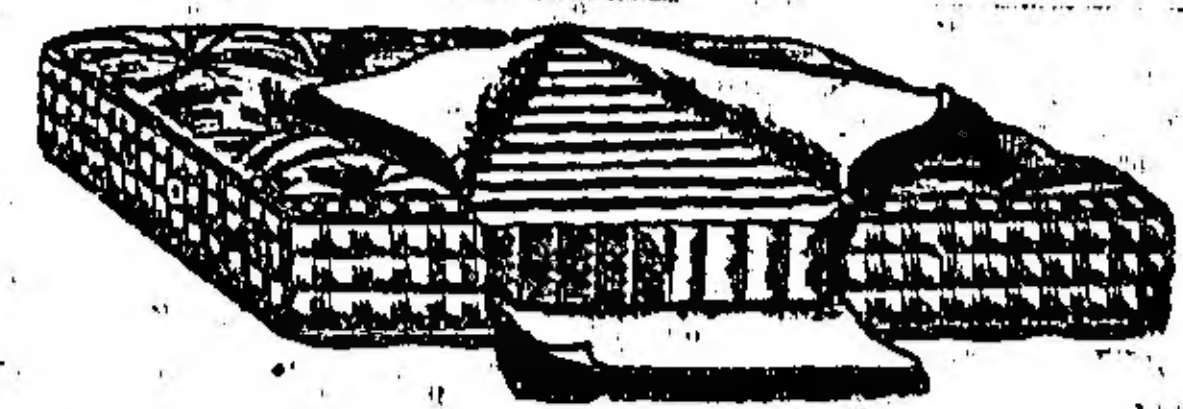
Cheung was sent to gaol for three months with labour.

INCORRIGIBLE RASCAL

Kong Shu-sang, 30, unemployed, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday charged with larceny and breach of the Deportation Ordinance.

The records showed that defendant stole one wrist watch, one

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pair of spectacles, one shark skin suit, one kimono, one shirt, one bed spread and two pairs of shoes from No. 24 Somerset Road on June 31; one blanket from No. 10 Sau Chuk Yuen Road on June 16; \$25 and 17 articles of clothing from Hau Wong Temple on August 25; two pairs of shoes, one umbrella and two coats from La Salle College on June 4.

He was expelled from the Colony for life on March 20 but came back shortly afterward.

Defendant was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for larceny and one year for breach of Deportation Ordinance, the sentences to run concurrently.

He has five previous convictions.

MAGISTERIAL WARNING

A fine of \$4 or 10 days' imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Himsforth on Chan Chor, Leung Hoi, Cheng Kwai, Li Kum-yung, Sin Luk and Ng Ho for violating Cholera Regulations by dredging shell fish from Cheung Sha Wan.

Mr. Himsforth remarked that cholera is now raging in the Colony and that such an offence would be punished heavily if it happened again.

HAWKER EXPELLED

Wong Pab, 50, and Tsol Chan-ching, 34, were charged with breach of Cholera Regulations by selling unhygienic foodstuffs.

The first defendant was arrested for selling cut pineapples at Canton Road and sentenced to a fine of \$10 or, in default, 10 days in prison.

The second defendant was hawking mussels. He was sentenced to one week's imprisonment and recommended for expulsion.



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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th day of September, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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MIND OF EMPIRE MADE UP

Stirring Message of Dominion Secretary

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The people of the British Empire have made up their minds and, God helping them, will never turn back, declares Viscount Caldecote, the Dominion Secretary, in a message given to Reuter on the anniversary of Britain's entry into the war.

Lord Caldecote adds that they stand together as one man and they follow words by deeds.

Canada, herself a mighty arsenal, has not been content to send arms. Her sons are coming in ever-increasing numbers to defend the right.

Australia and New Zealand, proud friends of justice, are not behind in their efforts. They daily win fresh glory on sea, land and in the air.

South Africa, youngest of the sister nations but not less loyal in her devotion to right, has notably thrown in her lot with the rest of us.

ARRAY OF STRENGTH
Newfoundland and Southern Rhodesia, conscious of the privileges enjoyed by free communities, spare no gift or effort to resist the common enemy.

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St. Louis	3	12	0
Cincinnati	4	7	0

THE WEATHER

There was an appreciable drop in temperature yesterday, the maximum recording being 83 and the minimum 76 compared with 90 and 80 on Tuesday.
Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 109.73 inches against an average of 83.73.
The Royal Observatory report states:—
Pressure is highest over the Pacific to the north-east of Japan; the typhoon is probably situated about 250 miles south of Naha, moving north-west.

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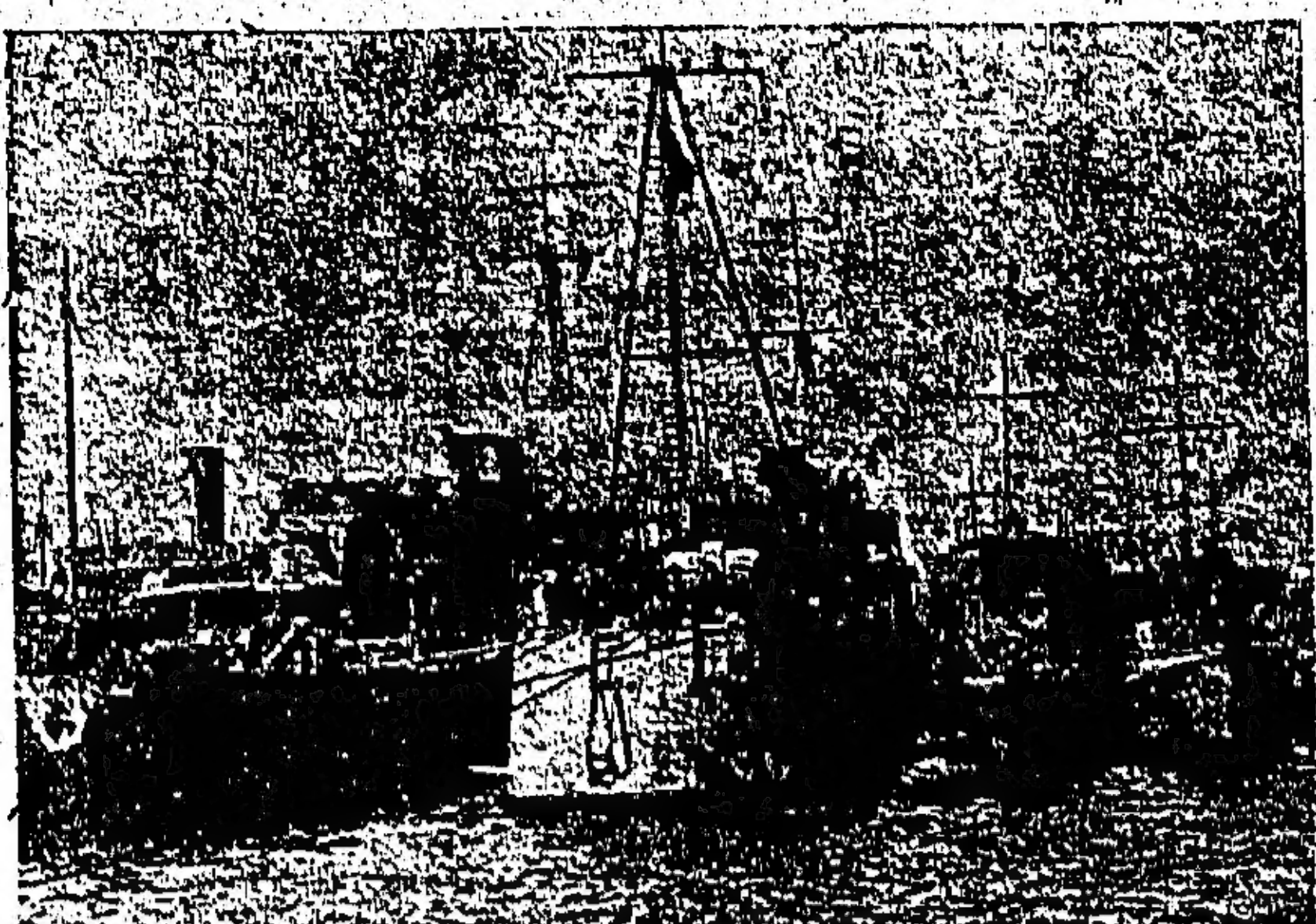
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H.K.'S WANING WAR EFFORTS

THE TRENCHANT COMMENTS made by The Adrian, the monthly magazine of St. Andrew's Church, on the lethargy which appears to have set in with regard to the Colony's war efforts are, indeed, most timely, coming as they do at the beginning of the second year of Britain's battle against aggression. To the shame of Hongkong, it has to be admitted that the criticism levelled by the writer in The Adrian is fully justified. The enthusiasm which marked the initial efforts of the Government and the people here to help the mother country has definitely waned and the organisations which were set up for the purpose of spurring these efforts on, in order to explore every possible avenue from which assistance might be obtained, have lamentably failed in their objectives. The question is where to apportion the blame for this sorry state of affairs. The writer in The Adrian rightly takes the public to task and reminds the people of the benefits they have enjoyed under the British flag in this Colony, as a reason for expecting a bigger and more sustained effort, within their means, of course, for helping Britain's determination to keep her Empire secure. The reply to this will probably be that the people of Hongkong have been experiencing most difficult times and that strain of the additional burdens placed on them in the matter of higher living costs, restricted trade and taxation is making it hard to dispense largesse as generously as they would wish.

WHILE ADMITTING the truth of this contention, these reasons are not alone conclusive evidence of the cause of the present apathy. The root appears to lie in a lack of confidence which appears to have been created by the absence of Government vision and foresight in dealing with situations which have arisen in this Colony as a result of the hostilities in Europe. Assertions which have been made that the evacuation of a few thousand women and children have robbed the Colony of its sole source of charity-minded people are ridiculous. It should be apparent to anyone with reasonable intelligence that the women and children who were evacuated from only a very small fraction of the wealthy classes in Hongkong from whom the mother country has the right to expect material and moral support, so as to encourage others not so well off to give of their mite for the same purpose. Viewed from this angle, therefore, the evacuation itself cannot be blamed for the diminishing efforts in Hongkong's war efforts today.

THE EVACUATION from Hongkong is, however, directly responsible for this regrettable position when it is examined from the manner in which the Government blundered over its method and operation. It was this bungling that primarily led to the public losing its confidence in the administration's ability to handle such a situation with due care and consideration for the consequences. The whole scheme was carried out in a way that not only showed a great deal of inefficiency on the part of those responsible, but which also created a state of alarm and confusion in the public mind as to the future. Instead of coming forward and assuring the people that their fears were groundless, the Government aggravated the position by maintaining an ostentatious attitude, with the result that the internal economic and commercial life of the Colony has been most adversely affected. Trade within the Colony is almost at a standstill and yet the Government has neglected to take any steps to correct their error. Statements reported to have been made by irresponsible officers of the administration on this much vexed subject of evacuation have added to the indignation of all thinking citizens. An instance of this has only recently come to light in Australia, where a Government officer is alleged to have made an absolutely incorrect comment when he declared that the evacuation from this Colony was not compulsory. The fact that many women in the Colony today are in possession of exemption papers adds to the falsity of this assertion. Unless the Government takes immediate measures to take the public more into its confidence and shows a real desire to alleviate the present position, so long will the public remain anxious and perturbed to such an extent that the Colony's war efforts are likely to dwindle even more than they have done to the lasting shame of this part of the British Empire.



French ships which are fighting in the battle of Britain. Some of the lighter units photographed in a Scottish port.

BIG ARRAY OF COUNSEL IN SESSIONS PIRACY TRIAL

Six persons arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday charged with (a) piracy juri gentium and (b) piracy with violence, were remanded till the next Criminal Sessions which will commence on Sept. 17.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who appeared for the prosecution, told the Court that Mr. D. J. N. Anderson who is defending the fourth accused, is indisposed. The case was originally fixed for Aug. 23 but was adjourned to yesterday.

The accused are:—
Sin Shing, alias Tau Pei-shing, who will be represented by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ.
Hui Fuk-shing, alias Ko Lo Shing, defended by Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. C. D'Almada.
Ng Yau, represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. D. McCallum.
Hui Sik-yan, alias Tan Ngan Chai, defended by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. F. H. Loeby.
Lo Fuk, represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.
Sin Shing-ye, alias S'n Sheung, alias Mel Tsui Sheung, defended by Mr. Lo Tung-fan, instructed by Mr. F. I. Zimmer.

Early in the action his left leg was shattered by a bomb but he stood fast at the gun and went on firing with the handgear only for the ship's electric power had failed. Almost at once he was wounded again in many places but his great courage bore him up to the end of the fight when he fell by the side of the gun he so valiantly served.

Awards of D.S.M. to Leading Seamen for bravery and devotion to duty on the same occasion were also approved.

TENTH V.C. OF THE WAR

LEG SHATTERED BY BOMB

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—The Victoria Cross was awarded to the late Acting Leading Seaman J. F. Mantle of H.M.S. Foylebank. This is the tenth V.C. of the war and the third to be awarded to a naval man.

An Admiralty announcement supplement to the London Gazette announces the award of the Victoria Cross to the late Acting Leading-Seaman Jack Foreman Mantle of H.M.S. Foylebank. An official account of his gallantry states that he was in charge of the starboard pom-pom when the Foylebank was attacked by enemy aircraft on July 4.

The DAILY MAIL says that this is the latest sign of the mounting tide of American sentiment in favour of Britain, and it is a portent of the final defeat of the Axis Powers.

WHAT AMERICA THINKS

The timely United Nations discussion of America's Union for the Americas raises one question which proponents either of world or hemisphere federation must face squarely. It is this: Can dictatorships and democracies exist side by side in a federation?

Many students feel this to be impossible, since international federation requires, as does national, that the peoples—as distinct from their States—should be represented by an elected assembly. How the peoples living under dictatorship would make their voices felt in the councils of any international federation, and whether without provision for the expression of a truly popular voice any experiment in federation could succeed—these are important questions.

Federation of the United States with the British Commonwealth of Nations would seem more feasible than union with American countries, some of whose governments are less similar to those of the United States. This would of course demand more political education and change of thought in the United States than would an experiment limited to the Western Hemisphere.

But gradually citizens of the United States are coming to understand that defense of the Americas cannot safely be considered as a problem in which European politics plays no part. The menace to the Monroe Doctrine is now from Europe; its guarantees during the last century were in a large measure written in Europe.

When the importance of fundamental ideas and ideals is fully understood peace and security will be guaranteed for all by union of those nations that value freedom and respect the individual.

NAVAL PACT HAILED AS ONE OF MOST WELCOME DEVELOPMENTS OF WAR

LONDON, SEPT. 4 (REUTER)—THE ANGLO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT IS HAILED BY THE BRITISH PRESS AS ONE OF THE MOST WELCOMED DEVELOPMENTS OF THE WAR and newspapers emphasise the transfer of destroyers to Britain as not only the means of important addition to her strength, but, at the same time, indicates that the United States means to help her.

THE TIMES writes that this is the most conspicuous demonstration yet given of the general American desire to afford the utmost help, compatible with neutrality, to the cause now recognised as vital to the future of the United States.

The paper adds that it does not involve the transfer of sovereignty and, provided this is thoroughly understood, there is every reason to expect the West Indian people will co-operate wholeheartedly to make the new arrangement a success.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH says that by the Agreement is a blow dealt at Hitler's hopes for world domination which did not amount to mockery which will enable him to conceal or belittle.

At a single stroke Britain acquires the reinforcement of a destroyer strength far more than the countervailing loss due to the defection of France. We shall be in a position substantially to increase the protection of our convoys and, at the same time, to tighten up the blockade.

The paper stresses that the Agreement is of great help to the American defence and adds that, in transferring the destroyers, the United States has given the most signal evidence yet manifested of her resolve to render every practical aid, short of war.

The transfer may be taken at the same time as a notification to Hitler of America's confidence in ultimate victory for Britain, for otherwise what would be the sense of bolstering up a lost cause with a fleet of ships she might urgently need herself?

The DAILY MAIL says that this is the latest sign of the mounting tide of American sentiment in favour of Britain, and it is a portent of the final defeat of the Axis Powers.

The NEWS-CHRONICLE says that it is perhaps the greatest single step yet taken towards the close developing and—in the end—planet-changing co-operation between the British Empire and America.

The DAILY HERALD acclaims the Agreement as a magnificent

piece of democratic statesmanship. The MANCHESTER GUARDIAN says that the Agreement is one of the most important events in the history of the two countries, and new links in the resistance of Nazi and Fascist aggression are being created.

WELL RECEIVED
NEW YORK, Sept. 4 (Reuter)

On the whole the Agreement has been well received by this morning's Press and any criticism levelled against Pres. Roosevelt concerns, more particularly, the manner of the deal rather than the substance, there being numerous suggestions that Congress should have been consulted.

There is a fairly wide divergence of opinion as to whether the deal will bring America nearer to war or not.

"Criticism of the manner of achievement should not cause the defeat of solid gains achieved," says the NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE.

While the NEW YORK TIMES declares the Agreement would have even been more desirable had it carried a formal stamp of Congress approval. The paper asserts that the Agreement will not, and cannot, put the country into war.

Among the "out-of-town" newspapers, the LOS ANGELES TIMES says that whether being brought nearer to war is too high a price to pay for the deal, only time can tell.

CHIEF FACTORS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—Britain's pledge to the United States never to surrender or scuttle the British Fleet is believed to have been one of the chief factors in the destroyers for bases in exchange on the American side, as it enables the United States to keep the Navy in the Pacific Ocean and to strengthen her hand in dealing with a possible crisis in the Far East.

Washington naval authorities point out that once the American occupation of the new bases begins, Britain may not consider it necessary to maintain protective naval forces in the areas concerned thus releasing the ships needed for service elsewhere.

Although naval use of the bases must await agreement on the location limits, it is intimated that the United States destroyers, on neutrality patrol, may be moved into them in the meantime. Regular patrol flights may also be started. These authorities say that all the bases have harbours which could be used by cruisers and destroyers, while several already possess aircraft bases.

COMMONS' STATEMENT

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—A Government statement on the Anglo-American Agreement will be made in both Houses of Parliament tomorrow.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the Premier, is expected to deal at some length in the House of Commons with the Agreement and to stress the historic significance of this goodwill pact between the two countries.

NO TIME LOST

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—In conformity with the decision to lose no time in implementing the Anglo-American Agreement, an exchange of views is already proceeding between the two Governments to fix the time and place for the meeting of experts to discuss the points arising from the lease of bases.

A few American experts are already making preliminary inspection of some of the sites.

BERLIN COMMENT

BERLIN, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—"Squandering valuable British Empire territory for old destroyers" was the Foreign Office spokesman's comment on the Anglo-American Naval Agreement.

See also Page 4, Col. 12; Page 12, Col. 2.

CRAVING FOR EXPANSION BY GERMANS TRACED BACK TO THREE GENERATIONS

Eloquent Broadcast By Sir Robert Vansittart

THE BUTCHER BIRD OF EUROPE

"We believe that we have the good wishes of all that is best in the world and we accept them. By the Grace of God and for the salvation of men, we shall rescue the earth from Germany and Germany from herself."

With these inspiring words, Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to His Majesty's Government, concluded an eloquent broadcast talk from Daventry last night on the occasion of the anniversary of Britain's entry into the war.

In the course of his address, Sir Robert, who has had a wide experience in foreign affairs, explained why the Nazis had been able to grasp power and precipitate another European war.

Sir Robert, at the outset, likened Germany to the Butcher Bird of Europe and traced the craving for expansion by the Germans to three generations. This expansion, he said, had started with the Prussian War of 1864 and was carried on into 1866 and again in 1870. It had been the German system for years to build up a base for this expansion on false teachings and lies.

ANOTHER INCIDENT

Again in 1905 and 1911, the Butcher Bird had planned another incident and it was only in 1914 that it was able to bring this about. "And what had Adolf Hitler to say about that?" asked Sir Robert. "He says in his Mein Kampf 'I sank down on my knees and thanked God for the favour of being permitted to live a second time.'"

And yet, continued the speaker, from the time of Frederick the Great, Prussian Germany has been trying not only to annex the whole earth but the heavens and when she found that the heavens could not be annexed, she discarded it for ever.

Europe, said Sir Robert, had had five wars in 75 years because the Germans are incapable of thinking in other terms than those of war. Like the Butcher Bird, it was always waiting a chance to pounce on its peaceful neighbours.

WORLD DOMINATION

Thus Germany had won three wars before England began to suspect what it was that she was really after—world domination. The first three wars were a prelude and preparation and the fourth was a bid for the real thing. This lust for power had gone on for three generations and had corrupted German nature with three elements—envy, self-pity and cruelty.

The fourth war had failed, but had only just failed, but from that

time plans were going on for the fifth war and when they thought the time was ripe, they started to blame the whole thing on the Treaty of Versailles as an excuse for continuing their cruelty.

The truth was that German militarism had never given up looking first towards expansion in Europe and then towards world domination.

This became so strong that the setback they had in 1914 was not enough to check it. This expansion gave them an opportunity for continuing their bestialities and to realise what those bestialities were, the speaker advised his listeners to read the Polish Black Book.

The Butcher Bird had been given every chance to mend his habits, but had not done so for the simple reason that Herr Hitler could never keep his word. That was nothing new in Herr Hitler and to compare what he had brought to Nazi Germany with the Middle Ages would be an insult to the Middle Ages.

Sir Robert went on to refer to the move against Christianity in Nazi Germany and spoke in graphic terms of the concentration camps and of the blasphemies that were uttered in Germany in praising Herr Hitler.

"The Nazi conscience," he said, was easily satisfied with the reasons given it by a government which had rejected everything that was gentle and kind and which indulged in a form of gangsterdom.

Most of the Nazi leaders, went on Sir Robert, had started without a cent. They had now grown rich on piratical plunder and had bought valuable works of art and large houses. These leaders had gained a holding power on the people and had coerced them into acting just as they were ordered to act.

"Once again I say that Herr Hitler is not an accident," said Sir Robert, "and in truth we are fighting against evil things—evil things which threaten more than four hundred million happinesses in Europe."



SIR ROBERT VANSITTART

ROY HOWARD

INTERVIEW

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In fact, so many people wanted to speak to Mr. Howard that it was with the greatest difficulty that Press managed to get even a few words with the eminent man. But Mr. Howard, was all ears (he wanted to know everything) but had little to say.

"If I had a story to give you," he said, "I'd spill it right away. But if you want to ask any questions, shoot, and I'll do my best to answer you."

Our representative asked him about conditions in Indo-China.

"I've never been there," said Mr. Howard. "How can I tell you?"

"Mr. Howard," said a reporter. "Do you think that M. Baudoin, the French Foreign Minister, is likely to agree to handing over Indo-China to the Axis Powers?"

"Who is this Baudoin?" he replied. "I did not know until you told me that he was the Foreign Minister of France. And how am I to know what he would want to do?"

OUT OF TOUCH

In reply to another question in relation to the international situation, Mr. Howard good-naturedly replied. "I've been in the air almost all the time since I left America and I am terribly out of touch with world affairs. I would like to ask you some questions about what is happening."

"What is the situation in Indo-China?" he inquired and was told the news contained in last night's cables about the reported ultimatum from Japan.

Mr. Howard told the Chinese pressman that he had interviewed and spoken to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. H. H. Kung and Dr. C. T. Wang during his brief stay in Chungking.

Chinese pressman: "What did they talk to you about?"

Mr. Howard (with a wink in his eye): "Ah, that would be telling."

And, before another word could be uttered, he was whisked away into a car by his army of waiting friends and driven off.

Settlement Shooting

SHANGHAI, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The intensive police precautions being taken in the French Concession and International Settlement today are believed to guard against reprisals for yesterday's shooting in the Settlement.

Liu Han-ha, a naturalised Japanese of Formosan origin, who was the victim of yesterday's slaying is known to be pro-Wang. The police are reported to have received information that anti-Chungking elements might attempt to strike back today.

SIRAGONE MARU

The Siragone Maru returned to Hongkong yesterday afternoon at 5.30 p.m. the vessel not being allowed to berth at Canton owing to the cholera restrictions. The Hachiu Maru similarly had to return to Macao.

ing, is beyond just a question. The second rock is this island. A fortress in itself, it stands like an outpost in the very jaws of the world's enemy and knows itself to be far more securely defended than in the anxious moments of three months ago.

U.S. WILL NOT ENTER WAR

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Norway. He left shortly before the arrival of the British owing to the fact that lack of communications hindered his work as correspondent to the New York Times. He was later in England and in Gibraltar. He considers that Hongkong is very similar to Gibraltar.

In Singapore the party were shown the defences of the island fortress and they were all very much impressed by the thoroughness of preparations. The pressmen also spoke of the stimulus the war had given to local industries in Malaya such as tin and coal mining, rubber etc.

PRESENTED TO G. O. C.

From Kai Tak the newspapermen were taken in cars to Kowloon Pier and thence by motorboat to Queen's Pier. There more cars were waiting to take them to the Command Headquarters where they were presented to Major Gen. Grasett.

The visiting pressmen were impressed with the strategic importance of Hongkong and the essential part it played in the defence of the Empire and were particularly interested and pleased to learn that American and British interests in the Colony were identical.

The party of newspapermen were received by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Lieut.-Gen. E. F. Norton, at 6.30 p.m.

AFTER 11 MONTHS' BOMBING

NEW YORK, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The London correspondent of the New York Herald-Tribune in special telephone dispatches says that the great industrial Midlands today are producing more war material than ever, after 11 months of bombing.

The correspondent declares that his tour of the district showed that "material damage was unbelievably small and military damage infinitely small."

"In districts where the Nazis claimed to have wrought havoc, I found factories running in full blast. There is little damage to health and morale as well as to material."

EVACUEES WILL NOT RETURN

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Finance liaison officer of the Hongkong Government, in connexion with the evacuation to Australia, to the point that "there was no compulsion about it (the evacuation). The Government advised the women to go and they co-operated with us" was refuted by the Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Smith emphasised that any such declaration was without foundation and did not represent the true facts. "Mr. Maughan made a mistake," Mr. Smith said.

NOT TRUE

"It is not true that the evacuation of women and children from Hongkong was not compulsory. There was no universal register of women here, but those who had registered were compelled to go."

It had not been planned for the last evacuee ship to pick up 1,000 people, as the Australian report stated, but it was expected that the number would have been higher than the 58 that did sail.

On the statements attributed to Hongkong evacuees in Sydney that it was found at the time of sailing that wives of officials who were to have boarded had secured jobs and had been granted exemption, the Colonial Secretary said that every individual case for exemption had been considered separately by the Exemption Committee. Beyond that he could not say anything further on this subject.

FINAL ORDER

The final order to evacuate women and children of pure European descent from Hongkong was

ATTACK ON LE TOUQUET AERODROME

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The severity of last night's R.A.F. raids on the advanced German-striking bases in Pas de Calais area, is shown in an Air Ministry news service announcement which states that the operation opened with an attack by several bombers on Le Touquet aerodrome.

High explosives fell on the landing ground. Later the aircraft maintained the attack and a pilot saw six separate fires on the aerodrome.

DIRECT HITS

Another squadron bombed Sain-tomer aerodrome and scored direct hits on the landing ground, followed by explosions. (The Marck aerodrome, at Calais, was attacked at 12.15 p.m. and at 1 a.m. and another raid bombed the air-field at Guines, south-east of Calais.)

Further inland, two raiders were bombing Abbeville aerodrome, when a battery of heavy anti-aircraft guns opened fire. The aircraft dropped a salvo of high explosives on the guns which immediately ceased firing.

PAS DE CALAIS BOMBED

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that a force of R.A.F. bombers last night attacked enemy aerodrome in Pas de Calais area.

MALAYA, EAST INDIES READY

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little relaxed even in cases where credentials presented claimed the person holding them as being in every way right and proper.

The Netherlands, holding out in what was once an outpost of Empire and has now become the heart of it, are prepared to make up in determination for any lack of numbers.

HIDDEN DEFENCE POSTS

European and native troops man the coast, defences where ever watchful eyes look out to the horizon, and to the skies for hostile craft. Along the length of the northern Java coast, and in every approachable inlet lurks the unpleasant prospect to the invader of a Dutch surprise. Hidden defence posts are everywhere.

Naval and coast patrol boats keep to the seas and follow with unceasing vigilance the movements of all small craft—Indies tramp steamers, Japanese fishing boats, Chinese trading junks and Dyak war boats.

In Singapore and Malaya, where a more formidable British Far Eastern Fleet forms a first line of defence, preparedness is as evident as in the Dutch possessions. Powerful anti-aircraft guns of most modern type point into the skies.

SEAS MINED

Strategic sea approaches are mined and sandy beaches are defended with barbed wire barricades. Coast defence guns point out to the Straits of Malacca, ready to meet any challenge by hostile craft to the sea road to India.

The party of American journalists visited Timor, Bali, Dutch Borneo and Java on their tour of the Dutch Indies. Their Malayan visit was not as extensive but allowed of a good look at the Straits defences. They flew from Singapore to Manila and to Hongkong by way of Macao.

THE TOUR

The tour of the Dutch East Indies included visits to Kopang in Timor, Bali, the Sourabaya naval base, the army and air base at Bandung, Batavia, the Standard Oil refineries at Palembang in Sumatra, the Shell Oil station at Balikpapan in Dutch Borneo and the oil refinery at Serakan.

A visit to Indo-China had been included in the itinerary, but it was not possible to enter the French Colony because of the uncertain conditions there.

received on the afternoon of Friday, July 28. A meeting of the Executive Council on the following morning approved the order for evacuation. Compulsory evacuation for all women was enforced on July 8.

A number of women were summoned at Central Court yesterday before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., for having failed to register for evacuation. An account of the Court proceedings will be found on Page 8.

Early Morning Warning But Londoners Go To Work Just The Same

LONDON, SEPT. 4 (REUTER).—SIRENS WERE SOUNDED IN LONDON AS THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE were leaving the London terminal on their way to work, but the warning made no difference to them. Londoners had a quiet night, undisturbed by the German nuisance raid. Buses ran as usual and a few people went to the public shelter this morning.

A second warning in London was sounded at noon when two forces of enemy planes crossed the south-east coast and attempted to raid the aerodromes in Kent and Essex. They were heavily engaged by ground defences and British fighters but a few machines managed to get through. A number of bombs were reported to have been dropped but no serious damage was caused.

NIGHT ATTACKS

Enemy attacks on this country during the night which were not on an extensive scale were mainly directed to the north-west and north-east of the Bristol Channel, says a communique issued by the Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security.

In both these areas, the communique adds, towns were attacked by high explosive and incendiary bombs. Fires started were quickly dealt with but a number of burning houses were damaged and some of them seriously.

Bombs were also dropped in a residential district in a town on the north-east coast, wrecking two houses and damaging one. In the north-west and north-east, the casualties were not numerous. In the Bristol Channel area, some casualties were caused a number of which were fatal.

SMALL DAMAGE

A few high explosive and many incendiary bombs were also reported to have been dropped in other districts in England and principally in the country districts in the Home counties and in Scotland, but no casualties were known to have been caused and the damage appears to have been extremely small.

TWO KIDNAPPINGS

CHUNGKING, Sept. 4 (Central).—Lawlessness continued to reign in Shanghai with two kidnappings on Sept. 2.

The first occurred shortly after 10 a.m. when Chin Pen-jen, owner of the Jen Feng rice shop, on Brennan Road, was carried off by six abductors while walking along Edinburgh Road, in Shanghai's "badlands."

The second took place shortly after 2 p.m. Mr. Lu Yu-yuen, native of Haimen, was at his home in Rue Albert when four gunmen broke in. "At the point of a pistol they forced Lu into a waiting motorcar and drove off."

Passing a group of French defence troops, however, Lu raised an alarm. Thereupon the French gave chase, firing at the abductors' car. Finally all four gunmen were captured, three of them believed to be not of Chinese nationality.

40 NAZI BOMBERS ROUTED

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—During this morning's raids, 40 German bombers, with fighter escorts, which attempted to enter the Thames Estuary, were routed and driven back.

There were several terrific duels over marshes where a German fighter was brought down. Its pilot bailed out and was taken prisoner.

BADLY DAMAGED

During a raid on a north-east coast town early this morning, a German bomber was badly damaged by heavy gunfire and is believed to have crashed into the sea.

Eye-witnesses of a short and sharp encounter between fighters and raiders over a south-east inland town saw three raiders crash.

The pilot of one parachuted and one of the others was burnt out, the crew being killed.

RUMANIAN CABINET RESIGNS

ROME, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Cabinet, under M. Gurgu, has resigned today, states a Bucharest dispatch to the official Italian News Agency.

General Antonescu, former War Minister, was charged to form a new Ministry and pledged to "restore order in the troubled country."

BUILDINGS ATTACKED

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Several attacks on public buildings were carried out by a group of dissatisfied members of the Iron Guards last night, but all attempts failed.

Three men appeared in a car in front of the Royal Palace. One fired two shots into the air and the man was arrested but the car had disappeared.

OFFENED FIRE

Another group of young men attacked the Bucharest Radio station. The guard opened fire and repelled the attackers, but the service was interrupted.

Telephone connections abroad were temporarily suspended. Rumanian troops are retiring from the ceded territory and the atmosphere is considerably calmer.

New National Organisation In Japan

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The ultimate objective of the new national political structure consists of the establishment of a national organisation within the scope of the constitutional provisions though all existing political parties and associations will be requested to disband themselves in order to join the new structure drive.

Pending the establishment of the national organisation, the plan envisages a national council of the new structure at which Prince Konoye, the Prime Minister, will preside as ex-officio chairman with headquarters in Tokyo and regional chapters in prefectures and municipalities.

The Central Council will have a membership of some 300 while its headquarters will be divided into ten departments—General, Political, Organisation, Diet, Economy, Culture, Youth, Training, Publicity and East Asia Affairs.

MEDICAL FOR CONTACT
The Central and Regional Councils will be the medium for contact between the people and Government, people and the Diet and Prefectural and Municipal assemblies.

CERTAIN OF VICTORY

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Meanwhile we will answer Hitler's domination in Europe, with power to draw on the resources of all the other continents, which command the sea, guarantees us, and thus we enter the second year of the war, confident that though the tide has ebbed far, it has turned and is already flowing to victory.

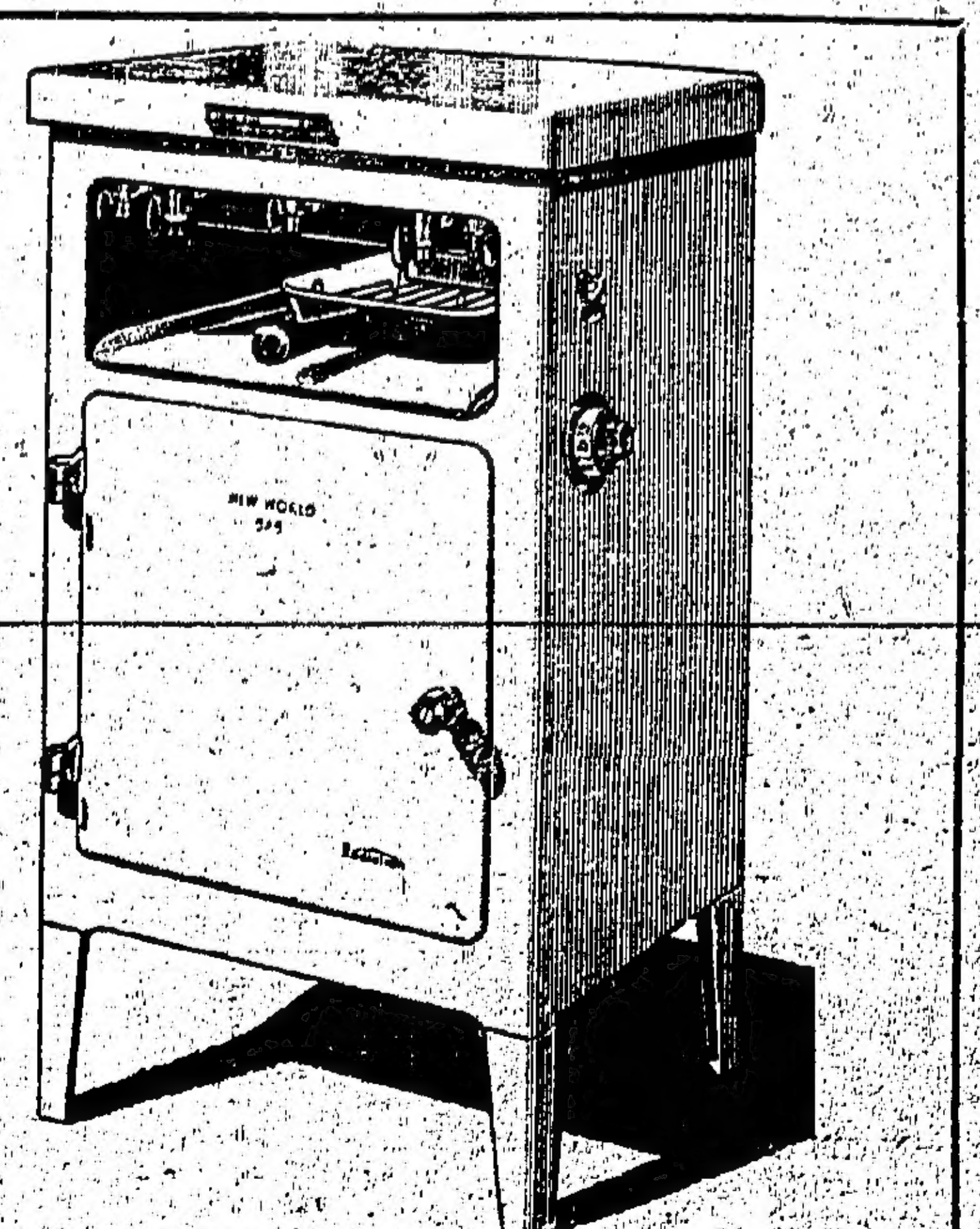
The NEWS-CHRONICLE says that the start of the second year finds us united, certain of eventual victory and already proving, by spectacular deeds of courage and resource, our power and determination to destroy all assaults by our enemies.

Hitler's early successes were easy because they were achieved against ill-prepared or half-hearted resistance. Now that, for the first time, his forces find themselves matched against a foe who are both resolute and strong, his rebuff is plain for all to see.

TWO ROCKS

The DAILY HERALD says that for twelve months, a murky tide, with cruelty, corruption and oppression rolled on, but unsmothered by its onrush, there stand today two rocks more strongly embedded than before.

One is the unanimous conviction of the whole world of free men, that the cause for which Britain and her Allies are fighting, is beyond just a question.



SEE THESE NEW GAS COOKERS AT
THE HONG KONG & CHINA GAS CO., LTD.
Central Showroom—Gloucester Bldg., (Corner of East Arcade).
Telephone 24704.
Kowloon Showroom—240, Nathan Rd., (Corner of Jordan Rd.).
Telephone 57241.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE undersigned have received instructions from The Liquidators and others

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Thursday, the 5th September, 1940 commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road Central, Second Floor

A QUANTITY OF LINEN

Comprising:—

Table cloths, Napkins, Towels, Pillow cases, Table covers and sundries.

also

10 bundles Galvanized Plain Sheets & 8 coils Galvanized Wire Shorts 1 carton Olive Oil

and

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE FURNITURE

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

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Friday, the 6th September, 1940 commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Han-kow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:—

Teakwood Drawing Room, Dining Room, Bed Room and Office Furniture, Carpets, Rugs and Runners, Sun Blinds, Golf Clubs, Ice Chests, Electric Lamps, Irons and Table Fans, E. P. Brass, Glass and Porcelain Ware, Gramophones and Records, Curios, Ornaments, Pictures, Wardrobe and Cabin Trunks, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

also

A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

and

2 Sewing Machines
1 Adding Machine
1 Steel Filing Cabinet
1 Flask Light
1 Cooking Stove
3 Bed Room Suites
1 Dining Room Suite
2 Radios "Delco" and Westinghouse"
2 Electric Refrigerators "Kelvinator" and "Gibson"

also

"One Ford V. 8 Roadster 1934" (taxed to July 1941).

On View from Thursday, the 5th September, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS.

Guerillas Dynamite Peking-Tientsin Railway

PEKING, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Peking-Tientsin Railway was dynamited at two points by Chinese guerrillas on Monday night, near Langfang. The line was completely interrupted until 4 p.m. yesterday.

The Japanese military spokesman also confirmed that one freight train was damaged but there were no casualties. No fighting was reported.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE undersigned have received instructions from The Registrar, Supreme Court.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

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Thursday, the 5th September, 1940 at 12 o'clock (noon)

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road Central, Second Floor.

The Motor Car of Cheng Kwai Tan trading as Man Lee Garage, Licence No. 294 (Public Vehicle).

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS. AUCTIONEERS.

22 INCHES OF RAIN LAST MONTH

Sunshine 38 Hours Below Normal

The first week of August was for the most part cloudy and rainy, with frequent thunder and lightning. On the 5th the weather improved, and continued mainly sunny until the 19th, with occasional falls of rain.

A typhoon, which passed immediately to the south of Gap Rock on a westerly track at 11 a.m. on the 21st gave rise to a gale and prolonged rainfall. Weather remained unsettled until the 26th, but the last five days of the month were fine and hot, owing to the influence of another typhoon which moved NNW across Formosa on the 30th.

The mean temperature for the month was 80.7 deg. Fah, which is 1 deg. below normal. A maximum of 92.2 deg. was recorded on the 30th, and a minimum of 73.0 deg. on the 22nd. The mean relative humidity was 86 per cent against a normal of 83 per cent.

Sunshine amounted to 183 hours, which is 38 hours less than normal. Rainfall was excessive for the sixth month in succession, the total being 22.00 inches, against a normal of 14.27 inches. The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 83 m.p.h. at 2.54 p.m. on the 21st, during the passage of the typhoon.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory 10 a.m., Sept. 4.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.74 ins.

Temperature, 82 F.

Humidity, 84 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.N.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 90 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 78 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today 0.48 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 109.73 ins.

Against an average of 88.73 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.38 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.07 a.m.

4 p.m., Sept. 4.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.70 ins.

Temperature, 80 F.

Humidity, 83 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.S.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 83 F.

Minimum temperature, 76 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 5 to 11 Sept. 1940.

HIGH WATER.			LOW WATER.		
Day of Week.	Date of Month.	Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
Thur.	5	h. m. 11 28 23 39	ft. in. 6 6 6 9	h. m. 04 56 17 20	ft. in. 1 2 2 1
Fri.	6	12 28	6 2	05 48 17 54	1 2 2 1
Sat.	7	13 21	6 5	15 37 18 8	3 3 3 3
Sun.	8	01 11	6 6	07 57 19 01	2 3 3 3
Mon.	9	02 09	6 5	09 32 19 43	2 3 4 4
Tues.	10	16 23	6 8	11 08 20 14	4 4 5 4
Wed.	11	18 07	6 8	15 17 22 59	5 4 6 4

Finance and Commerce

BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION

A swing from butter to cheese has been reported in Canada this year in the dairy industry. Nevertheless, the production of both creamery butter and factory cheese showed gains for the first five months of the year. As between these two products, moreover, the making of butter still takes much the larger proportion of milk. The proportion of milk used in these two operations, which goes to the making of butter, has varied from 93.6 per cent in January to 81.5 per cent in May.

Export returns for five months showed a sharp decline in butter but a big increase in cheese. Import returns for four months likewise indicated a decline in butter but an increase in cheese. Imports were, as usual, greatly exceeded by exports.

Taking a long view of the Canadian dairy industry the production of cheese for export has been replaced by the manufacture of butter for home consumption.

The production of creamery butter in Canada in the first five months of the present year totalled 73,971,000 pounds as compared with 72,954,000 pounds in the same portion of last year. On the May comparison there was a slight decline from 27,827,000 to 27,249,000 pounds.

ONTARIO FIRST

Ontario led the provinces of the Dominion for the five months, in output of creamery butter, with Quebec second and Alberta third. The production in Ontario during the five months was 29,871,000

pounds, Quebec 14,382,000 pounds and Alberta 8,707,000 pounds.

Prince Edward Island reported output at 361,400 pounds; New Brunswick 796,800 pounds; Nova Scotia 2,014,000 pounds; British Columbia 2,631,000 pounds; Saskatchewan 7,536,000 pounds and Manitoba 7,873,000 pounds.

Factory cheese output for the Dominion increased, on the five month comparison, from 18,584,000 pounds in 1939 to 23,756,000 pounds this year. On the May comparison, production rose from 11,218,000 to 12,903,000 pounds. In cheese production for the five months, Ontario again led with Quebec second and Manitoba third.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Sept. 3 (Reuter).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £255-3/4.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £256-7/8.

TREASURY LIST OF CURRENCIES

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Treasury has announced a revised list of currencies, holders of which must offer same for sale to the Treasury.

The list is made up of Argentine pesos, Belgian Congo francs, Canadian dollars, Escudos, Netherlands East Indies guilders, Netherlands West Indies guilders, Newfoundland dollars, Panamanian dollars, Philippine pesos, Swedish kronor, Swiss francs and United States dollars.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Wednesday, Sept. 4.
A further slight improvement was registered in prices today, but with trading limited to the morning the turnover was small.

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1.285.
Unions Ins., \$375.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$145.
Docks (Old), \$15.90.
Docks (New), \$15.50.
Providents, \$4.05.
Hotels, \$3.40.
Lands, \$29.60.
Humphreys, \$6.75.
Realities, \$3.20.
Trams, \$15.55.
Star Ferries, \$57.50.
Yau-mat Ferries, \$21.50.
China Lights (Old), \$6.55.
China Lights (New), \$3.80.
Telephones (Old), \$23.
Telephones (New), \$9.10.
Cements, \$15.75.
Dairy Farms, \$17.75.
Watsons, \$8.60.

SELLERS

Cements, \$16.
Providents, \$4.05.
Humphreys, \$6.85.
Electric (Old), \$37.75.
Macao Electric, \$17.
Telephones (Old), \$23.50.
Cements, \$15.80.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, September 4.

Cements, 100 \$15.70
China Providents, 500 4.05
H.K. Electric (O), 50 37.75
H.K. Tramways, 200 38.25
H.K. Telephone (O), 75 23.50
H.K. Lands, 100 30.00
H.H. Hotels, 500 3.50

The total value is \$33,845.00.
*Sale on Tuesday, the 3rd inst.

NON-FERROUS METAL INDUSTRIES

Canada occupies a favourable position for the development of industries founded on non-ferrous metals. Two branches of manufactures which conduct operations in the base metals are the brass and copper products industry, and the white metal alloys industry, both of which are showing healthy growth. The former reached its peak in 1929, but the record was closely approached in 1937. For the latter, 1937 established the highest value of production to date.

The latest returns for both industries are for 1938, when output declined; but both industries reported production in that year which was greater than in almost all except the record years; while the external trade figures for 1939 show that the upward trend is again in progress.

The value of production in the brass and copper industry of Canada in 1938 was \$27,728,000, according to a report issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The peak output of the industry reported in 1929 was \$38,116,000 which was closely approached in 1937 at \$34,453,000.

The number of plants reporting in 1938 was 127 and the capital employed totalled \$22,991,000; the number of employees was 5,030 and the payroll \$6,155,000; while the cost of materials amounted to \$16,008,000.

FABRICATED LINES

The products manufactured in this industry in 1938 included, in going, bars, rods, sheets, tubing and castings of copper, brass, bronze and aluminium, and such fabricated lines as railway car bearings and fittings, wire, cloth of brass and bronze, valves of brass, bronze and iron, plumbing

Construction Industry Of Canada

The construction industry of Canada this year has been characterized by greatly increased activity. Coincidentally there has been a marked gain in the production of building materials. For the first four months of the year the value of building permits in the urban centres has risen by 31.3 per cent, while the value of contracts awarded has advanced by 46 per cent.

Production returns for building materials are not available for so long a period, but big gains have been reported for the first two months of the year. As compared with the first two months of 1939, the production of lime in the Dominion has risen 44 per cent approximately, clay products 48 per cent, and cement 70 per cent, while the output of gypsum has been quintupled.

The value of contracts awarded in the construction industry of Canada in the first four months of the present year was \$58,244,700 as compared with \$39,839,400 in the same portion of 1939. The figures as to awards of contracts are derived from The Maclean Building Review.

On the same comparison the value of building permits in 58 cities collected by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics rose from \$12,888,800 to \$18,922,400.

202 MUNICIPALITIES

This year figures have also been issued which are based on returns from 202 municipalities, and for the four months the total was \$22,682,300. On the comparison for April, the value of building permits rose for 58 cities from \$5,960,800 to \$9,999,500. On the same comparison, contracts awarded increased from \$12,303,200 to \$25,305,000.

The production of cement in Canada for the first two months of the present year amounted to 394,900 barrels as compared with 334,100 barrels in the same portion of 1939.

On the same comparison, the output of clay products increased in value from \$263,700 to \$419,000; production of lime from 69,100 to 99,300 tons, and the gypsum output from 23,800 to 120,900 tons.

The production of gypsum in the Dominion in the calendar year 1939 was 1,429,800 tons; lime 539,900 tons; cement 5,733,900 barrels; and clay products valued at \$4,429,600.

ROYAL VISITOR AT STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Her Majesty the Queen on Monday paid her first visit to the London Stock Exchange.

Previously she visited the Flag Display at South Africa House where she was welcomed by the wife of the High Commissioner of South Africa.

VOLUME OF MANUFACTURING

The volume of manufacturing production in Canada in 1938, although slightly below the peak of 1937, will again show an advance over 1929. It is anticipated, this view is expressed in an official preliminary report just issued on manufacturing in 1938.

The gross value of output in that year was lower than in 1937 but was otherwise the highest since 1929. The official index of volume has not yet been issued for 1938; but while the gross value declined in that year fourteen per cent below 1929, the index of general wholesale prices showed a decrease of over seventeen per cent.

The three leading industries, in gross value of output, were, in 1938 as in 1937, non-ferrous metal smelting and refining, pulp and paper and slaughtering and meat packing.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange was quiet but steady with Kafirs attracting support both from the Cape and local sources.

Final stages saw an increased interest in Home Industrials and closing quotations were frequently fractionally higher while Gilt-edged finished unchanged to slightly better.

Wall Street was firm.

Conscription Bill Amendment

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives' Military Committee has approved the amendment to the Conscription Bill permitting Government to acquire on a rental basis industrial factories for the production of defence materials.

The amendment was substituted for the Senate provision authorising Government to condemn and take over and operate such factories.

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MALAYS TO SEE THEIR OWN "CHARLIE CHAN"

MALAYS may soon have the opportunity to see their own "Charlie Chan" on the silver screen if the plans of Mr. Run Run Shaw, Malayan theatre magnate, and now film producer as well, materialise.

Mr. Shaw is making tentative plans to film one of the Charlie Chan stories in Malay.

The story will be based on the famous "Charlie Chan" series, but the dialogue will, however, be in Malay... and the actor to take the character of this suave and humble, but brilliant, "Chinese detective" will, in all probability, be a Malay.

The cast has not yet been selected and Mr. Shaw does not intend to start on this film until after the completion of a new picture he is now producing.

A drama entitled "Bermada" this new film will be released for general screening early in October, working having already been in progress for the last fortnight at Balestier—Malaya's "Hollywood."

COSTING \$15,000
Like his previous film, "Bermada" is expected to cost around \$15,000, and will have a competent cast including some of the leading actors and actresses who figured prominently in "Mutlars."

At present "Mutlars" is being shown upcountry in most of the theatres controlled by Shaw Brothers, and is expected to be shipped to the Netherlands Indies for screening there sometime in September.

From his plans, Mr. Shaw has no intention yet to produce Chinese pictures in this country, intending to devote more of his interest to Malay films for the time being.—(Malaya Tribune).

Shanghai Frenchmen Loyal To De Gaulle

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Reports from Shanghai state that many Frenchmen there are joining General De Gaulle. They are wearing the Cross of Lorraine which he has adopted as his official emblem.

Other reports from Martinique state that 90 per cent of the population there are anxious to carry on the war with Germany.

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WAR IN PACIFIC CERTAIN, SAYS U.S. ADMIRAL AND PREDICTS OUTCOME

Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling, former chief of staff of the U. S. Fleet and now United Press naval critic, fears that a war in the Pacific is inevitable.

He here discusses the relative naval power of Japan and the United States, and picks the ultimate victor if a Japanese-American war is fought.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—It seems evident that unless the United States and Japan can compose their ever-mounting differences, the war in the Pacific, long prophesied by strategist economists, is inevitable.

DIPLOMATIC TENSION
Diplomatic tension between the United States and Japan, existing for several years, is the reason that the great preponderance of our naval strength has been maintained in the Pacific.

Since Germany overran the Low Countries and defeated France, that tension has reached the breaking point. The reason: the rich Dutch East Indies and French Cochinchina, both coveted by Japan.

Should a Japanese-American war come, it would be a naval war fought mostly in the Orient. Bases are vital in naval and air warfare, and in a conflict with Japan, this country would have the initial disadvantage which, however, would not necessarily be a fatal one.

A REAL PICTURE
This is the picture of the opposing fleets and bases:

The United States Fleet of under-age ships in commission consists of 15 battleships, 37 cruisers, 5 aircraft carriers, 47 destroyers, 31 submarines. We have numerous over-age warships in the lighter categories.

Our main fleet at present is in Hawaiian waters, where a first-class naval base at Pearl Harbor is available to support it. In addition, a new base is being built at Dutch Harbor, on the Alaska island of Unalaska. Both of these bases will be able to support the fleet.

AIR BASES
Airbases have been built or are being built on Midway, Wake and Johnston islands in the Hawaiian area and on Kodiak Island and Sitka in Alaska. Canton Island of the Phoenix group, just south of the equator, and Pago Pago, Samoa, are also to be fitted as airbases.

Closely tied to the fleet at Hawaii is the small fleet now in the Far East—actually only a detachment—consisting of one cruiser, one squadron of over-age destroyers, one flotilla of over-age submarines, and one over-age aircraft carrier.

In the event of war, this weak detachment would be called upon to perform a heroic task—to fight a delaying action against an enemy attempting to occupy the Philippines until our main fleet could arrive.

NUMERICAL SUPERIORITY
At present, so far as is known due to Japanese naval secrecy, our navy has a numerical superiority of 15 to Japan's 9 in battleships. We have only equality, if not less, in cruisers, aircraft

carriers, modern destroyers, and submarines.

Japan's naval advantage lies principally in having her fleet concentrated where she has decided all her wars will be fought—in the Orient. She has therefore applied herself to the building of many well-secured bases for warships and aircraft to support naval and air offensives in those seas.

The Pacific has been reckoned the hardest nut to crack for our navy in the event of war and it therefore has seemed essential that our fleet personnel acquire all the knowledge and practice possible through fleet operations in that ocean.

FLEET EXERCISES

Our fleet in recent years has been almost continuously employed in strategic tactical war games in the Pacific, centering around Hawaii and our base at Unalaska, although the latter is still unfinished. These operations have usually been of a defensive nature against an attacking "enemy" fleet, and the operations have never extended beyond the international dateline, the 180th meridian, longitude.

This entire area will be a battleground in the event of war, and it should be familiar to our fleet. The reason our naval war games have remained on this side of the 180th meridian in the past has been, so as not to unduly inflame the suspicious Japanese.

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LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The crew of a Netherlands motor torpedo-boat serving with the British Navy has shot down an enemy bomber into the sea.

An Admiralty communique says that a motor torpedo-boat and a merchant ship were attacked by Nazi dive bombers. The Norwegian sailors opened fire with tracer bullets and registered a number of hits.

One raider came down to sea level, touched water, rose again and then crashed into the sea.

planes and appropriate airbases for them will give important aid to the fleet in operations west of Hawaii. They have a flying range of about 1,300 miles, and the airbases at Midway, Wake and Guam give full mobility to these weapons.

If these bases can be held by our navy secure from capture, they will form stepping stones for these naval patrol planes to enable them to reach the Philippines, from where our fleet would operate in a war against Japan.

ULTIMATE RESULT

The ultimate result of a naval and air war between Japan and the United States, viewed against the background of the two nations involved, would seem to be a victory for the United States.

Japan, a strong military and naval nation, is impoverished economically, while the United States, though not imbued with the martial spirit, is rich and has plenty of resources. Japan also would in all likelihood be opposed by her traditional enemies—China and Russia.

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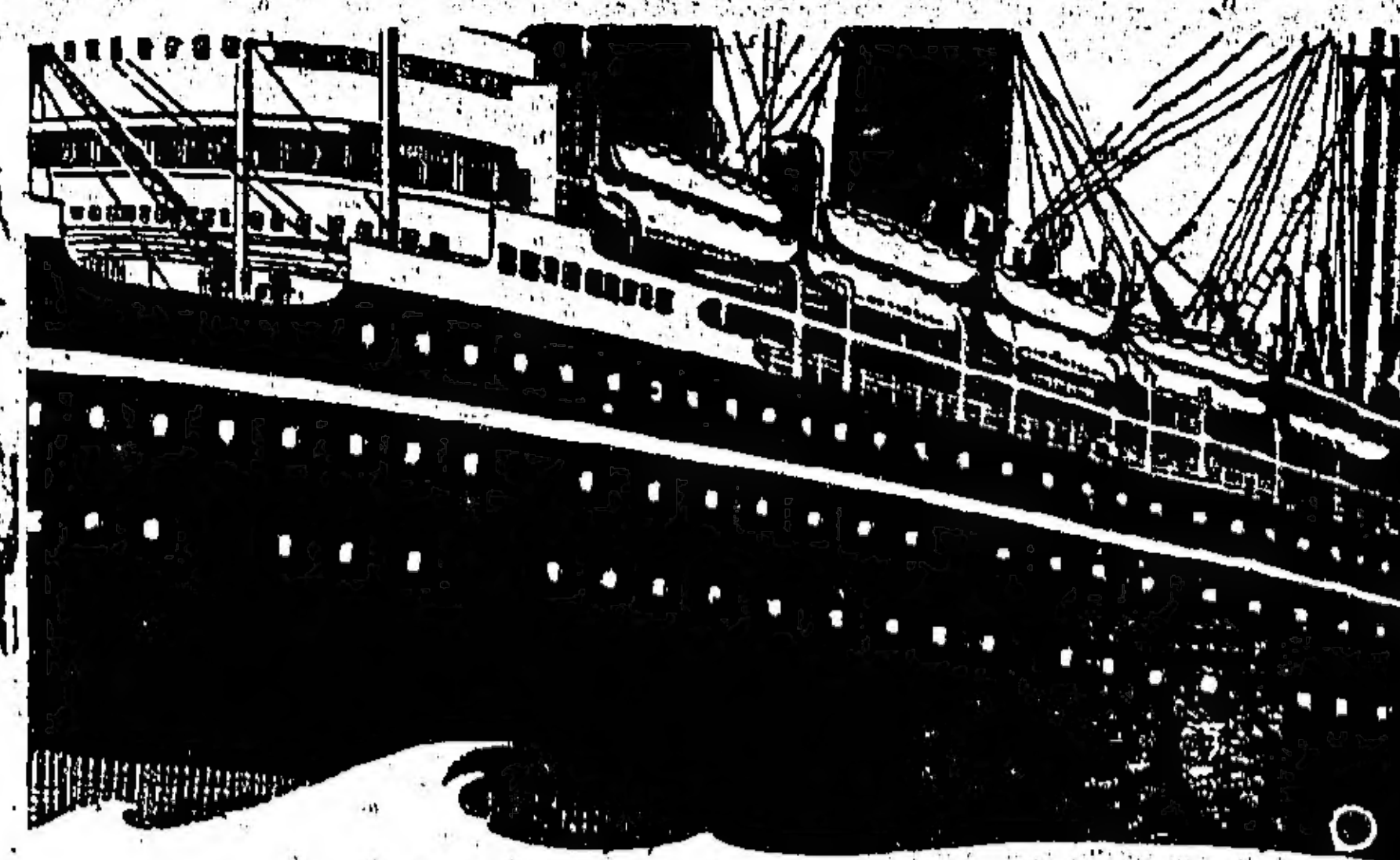
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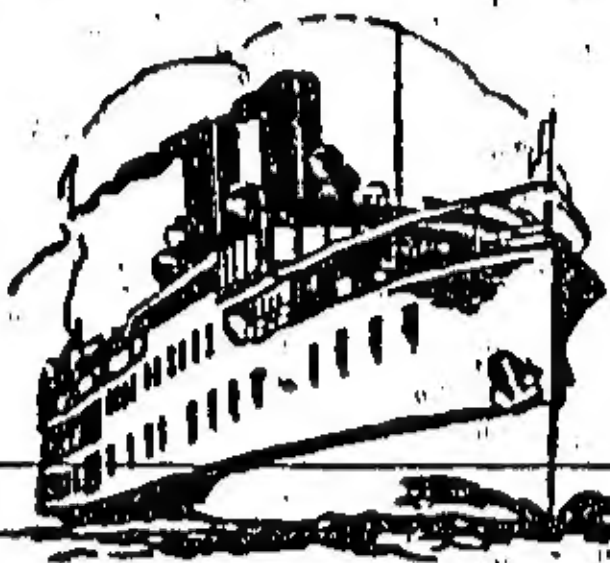
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ANNOUNCEMENT WELL RECEIVED IN CANADA: BEST AID APART FROM EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt, in a message to Congress announcing the Anglo-American Agreement, declared that it was not inconsistent in any sense "with our status at peace; still less is it a threat against any nation. It is an epochal and far-reaching act in preparation for continental defence in the face of grave danger. Preparation for defence is an inalienable prerogative of a sovereign state and under the present circumstances this exercise of a sovereign right is essential for the maintenance of our peace and safety."

"This is the most important action in the reinforcement of our national defence that has been taken since the Louisiana purchase (under which the United States acquired from Napoleon the great embryo French Empire west of the Mississippi)."

"Then as now considerations of safety against attack from overseas were fundamental. The value to the Western Hemisphere of these outposts of security is beyond calculation. The need for them has long been recognised by those primarily charged with the duty of chartering and organising our own national naval and military defence."

"They are essential to the protection of the Panama Canal, Central America and the northern portion of South America, Antilles, Canada, Mexico and our own eastern and Gulf of Mexico seaboard. Their consequent importance in defence of the Hemisphere is obvious."

"For these reasons I have taken advantage of the present opportunity to acquire them."

The President, enclosed in his message to Congress an opinion by the Attorney General, Mr. Robert H. Jackson, dated August 27, with regard to his authority to consummate the agreement. It is stated here that no action of Congress will be necessary to put the agreement into effect.

SENT TO CANADA
WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Navy Department announced that the first eight of the 50 destroyers for Britain are at Boston and should be ready for delivery by next Friday.

They will be sent to Canada with their present crews, there to be taken over by British seamen. "Other destroyers will be ready when requested and will be in 'operating condition'."

It is also announced in Washington that Admiral Harold Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, has fulfilled legal requirements for disposing of the destroyers by certifying that the release of the vessels and the acquisition of the defence bases would strengthen rather than impair the nation's defences.

ISOLATIONIST COMMENT
The Navy Department stated that the destroyers represented a current value of approximately \$85,000,000.

The first isolationist comment came from Senator Gerald Nye who, referring to the Attorney General's view that the arrangement did not require Congressional action, declared: "This indicates that our leadership is already using dictatorial practices and ignoring laws and treaties in the name of emergency."

Senator Berkeley would fully approve the arrangement.

PRESIDENTIAL HINT
President Roosevelt dropped what appeared to be a hint that further history-making steps might be taken to provide additional distant bases to protect the Western Hemisphere.

Asked if the agreement might lead to the postulation that a base be established in Greenland, President Roosevelt replied that he thought the reporters should refrain from writing that it was a forerunner of anything else.

The President said the destroyers would be transferred to England reasonably soon.

Asked whether some of them were already en route, he replied that he would not say that and he did not know where they were at present.

He added that the United States could not, of course, deliver destroyers to England—a remark which was taken to imply that British or Canadian crews would man them.

The Navy Department added that the next two or three groups

of destroyers, numbering about eight in each group, could be released at fortnightly intervals.

Each group would be delivered with full armament of guns, torpedo-tubes, A.A. guns and machine-guns.

Mr. Forrestal, Under-Secretary of the Navy, has appointed a Navy Board of seven members to meet British experts to determine the exact location of naval bases which Britain will lease to the U.S.A.

BRITISH ASSURANCE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Britain has assured the United States of its intention "never to surrender or sink the British Fleet in the event of the waters surrounding the British Isles becoming untenable for H.M. Majesty's ships." It was stated in Washington yesterday.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull wrote to Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, on August 29 asking if it was correct that Britain had announced her intention not to sink or surrender the Fleet, and Lord Lothian replied in the affirmative.

The fact that Mr. Winston Churchill had reiterated, through Lord Lothian, that Britain would never surrender or sink the British Fleet led reporters to speculate whether the bases might one day be used by British warships.

President Roosevelt refused to discuss this, saying that he only assumed that the British Fleet

would go wherever it was needed for defence.

OTTAWA COMMENT
OTTAWA, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—General pleasure was expressed here yesterday at the Anglo-American agreement which, it is thought, will bring the United States to a clearer view of problems facing the Empire in the war against totalitarianism.

Many Canadians contend this latest action is the best the United States can do for the Allied war efforts apart from an expeditionary force, which is not expected.

With American bases on the outposts of the Western Hemisphere and a permanent joint Defence Board studying joint American-Canadian defences, Canada as well as Britain will soon be an impenetrable fortress, permitting the uninterrupted production of materials and the despatch of expeditionary forces to attack Hitlerian territory.

CANADA'S EFFORT

The Canadian Minister of Munitions stated yesterday that new factories, costing approximately \$17,500,000, are being added immediately to Canada's rapidly expanding programme of industrial development to meet the war-time demand for guns and materials.

The factories would begin operating in 1941 and would employ thousands in the manufacture of chemicals, guns and wireless.

FOOD CONTROL BOARD PRELUDE TO INVASION?

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Great anxiety is being expressed in Berlin over the refusal of the people of that section of Transylvania ceded to Hungary to accept the Axis award and threats are being circulated from Germany that if there are any more demonstrations against German minority there the Reich will be sent to protect them.

NERVOUS BREAKDOWN
BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—M. Manolescu had a nervous breakdown after his brow-beating by the Nazis at Vienna, it was revealed in the Rumanian press yesterday.

The famous Vienna specialist, Otto Eisenschimmel, left Vienna on Monday after having accompanied M. Manolescu back from Vienna on orders from Herr von Ribbentrop.

DUTCH PREMIER RESIGNS

LONDON, Aug. 4 (Reuter).—It is stated on behalf of the Netherlands Government that the Netherlands Prime Minister and Finance, M. D. J. de Geer has resigned for reasons of health.

Queen Wilhelmina has accepted Jonkheer de Geer's resignation, and Professor P. S. Gerbrandy, Minister of Justice, will now preside over the Council of Ministers.

Jonkheer Van Boeyen, Minister of Home Affairs, is entrusted with the Department of General Affairs, the Colonial Minister, I. J. M. Welver, is so interim entrusted with the portfolio of Finance, and M. P. L. Steenberghe, Minister of Trade,

MR. LU TSO-FU TO HEAD NEW ORGAN

CHUNGKING, Sept. 4 (Central).—Organisation of the newly created National Food Control Board has been completed with the appointment by the Executive Yuan yesterday of high officials and departmental chiefs of the Board under the directorship of Mr. Lu Tso-fu.

Mr. Lu Yu-wen was appointed Secretary General of the Board, Mr. Chang Liang chief of the Administrative Control Department, Mr. Wang Tse-yung chief of the Business Control Department, and Mr. Li Chia-lung chief of the Finance Department.

In an interview Mr. Lu Tso-fu, Director of the Board, said that the primary function of the new organ is to regulate supply and demand of foodstuffs, thus stabilising their prices.

SZECHWAN BRANCH

While the Board is seeking to keep down prices, Director Lu expressed the hope that all government organs concerned would do their utmost in carrying out whatever control measures the Board may decide.

In view also, of the large quantities of foodstuffs stored up in Szechwan province, the Board will have a branch office functioning in Chengtu, capital of Szechwan, heading the Szechwan branch, are Mr. Chi Chu-yu, chief, and Mr. Ho Nai-jen, deputy chief.

Industry and Shipping, is given the special task of preparing all necessary measures as necessary for the economic recovery of Netherlands territory in Europe.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

The attention of correspondents wishing to send letters by post to enemy countries or to enemy-occupied territory is invited to General Notification No. 947 in the Government Gazette of 23rd August, 1940.

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U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai—(San Francisco date 20th August)	8th Sept.
London and Straits	8th Sept.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date 3rd September	8th Sept.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service" Java and Manila	10th Sept.
London and Straits	11th Sept.
Sandakan	18th Sept.
Australia and Manila	18th Sept.
Australia and Manila	20th Sept.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
THURSDAY	Thu. 5th
Swatow	1.00 PM
U. S. A., Central and South America and "United Kingdom Via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)"	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Parcels Noon Reg. 12.45 PM Ord. 1.30 PM

FRIDAY	Fri. 6th
Holhow	8.30 AM
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South America and United Kingdom via Vancouver B. C.—(Parcels for Canada only)	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 5/9 5.00 PM Reg. 6/9 8.15 AM Ord. 6/9 10.00 AM
Note:—All Mail for United Kingdom will be forwarded with or without superscription	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 6th 8.00 PM Reg. 6th 9.45 AM Ord. 6th 10.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United Kingdom	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

SATURDAY	Sat. 7th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America and "United Kingdom Via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)"	G.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

SUNDAY	Sun. 8th
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	10.30 AM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

TUESDAY	Tue. 10th
Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

WEDNESDAY	Wed. 11th
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A., & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Transatlantic Services"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

THURSDAY	Thu. 12th
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta	8.30 AM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

FRIDAY	Fri. 13th
Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

SATURDAY	Sat. 14th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SUNDAY	Sun. 15th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

MONDAY	Mon. 16th
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta	8.30 AM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

TUESDAY	Tue. 17th
Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

WEDNESDAY	Wed. 18th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

THURSDAY	Thu. 19th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

FRIDAY	Fri. 20th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SATURDAY	Sat. 21st
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SUNDAY	Sun. 22nd
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

MONDAY	Mon. 23rd
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

TUESDAY	Tue. 24th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

WEDNESDAY	Wed. 25th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

THURSDAY	Thu. 26th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

FRIDAY	Fri. 27th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SATURDAY	Sat. 28th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SUNDAY	Sun. 29th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

MONDAY	Mon. 30th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

TUESDAY	Tue. 31st
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

WEDNESDAY	Wed. 1st
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

THURSDAY	Thu. 2nd
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

FRIDAY	Fri. 3rd
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SATURDAY	Sat. 4th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SUNDAY	Sun. 5th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

MONDAY	Mon. 6th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

TUESDAY	Tue. 7th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

WEDNESDAY	Wed. 8th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

THURSDAY	Thu. 9th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

FRIDAY	Fri. 10th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SATURDAY	Sat. 11th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

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FRIDAY	Fri. 31st
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM

SATURDAY	Sat. 1st
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	8.30 AM